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At Mount Saint Mary's we spend our time researching, studying, and working hard, but we always make time to celebrate. Throughout the years the Mount has given us many reasons to celebrate. From accepting new students to honoring their outstanding accomplishments, each year we celebrate unstoppable success. This year, the institution celebrated a noteworthy happening, the name change from Mount Saint Mary's College to Mount Saint Mary's University on their ninetieth anniversary.

There was no better way to celebrate ninety years of continual excellence and support from a community of students, faculty, and alumni than by being a part of this unstoppable year. Despite the endless nights of studying, and commuting from city to city, Athenians will always remember the fun group projects, long conversations by the fountain with friends, and connections they could only have made at the Mount.

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Chalon Orientation

The Latest Chapter for Our Newest Additions

A great Mount tradition is welcoming in a new class. This summer we welcomed the class of 2019 at the annual Chalon Orientation. Women and men alike came to the Mount to have a weekend packed with fun activities brought to them by their very own orientation leaders and Women's Leadership and Student Involvement staff. After being welcomed to the University by Dr. Jane Lingua, Vice President for Student Affairs, incoming students were able to bond with their future classmates and get a small taste of what Mount life feels like. Students were also able to sleep in the residence halls on campus during their stay. Throughout the weekend students went to workshops that helped them with their transition into college. While at orientation students met with their advisers to plan out their fall schedules and get their questions answered before the school year started.

When the students weren't in their workshops they could be found dancing around campus having fun in the summer sun. Mini dance sessions were started by the students and orientation leaders to help pass the time between events. The students also got to connect with alumni during the "Mugging", a Mount tradition in which an alumni greets the incoming freshmen with root beer floats in mugs tagged with inspirational messages from other alumni. After all of the fun and laughter students end the weekend with a Mass that officially welcomes the freshmen to the Mount. Each student was given a candle that represents the students starting their new chapter in life, within the Mount community. It also goes with the university motto, *Deus Illuminato Mea* (God is my light). Lastly, the students were pinned with the fleur-de-lis which represents the founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. All in all the class of 2019 spent their weekend immersed in the wonderful history of the University while making newfound memories and friendships.

By: Mary Page Diaz



1. Lina Lerntiwong continues the time honored tradition of pinning freshmen with a fleur-de-lis pin during the welcome Mass.

2. Taniamari Real gets her candle lit during Mass as a symbol of the start of the new chapter in the life.

3. Alum Mickey Payne '64 participates in the traditional "mugging" as she pours soda for freshmen.

4. Mitzuky Orellana poses for a picture with her Orientation babies to commemorate the wonderful weekend that they've experienced.

5. Selfie sticks were a popular instrument this summer. We caught freshmen students passing the time by taking photos.

6. Excited freshmen read messages that the alumni have wrote to the incoming freshmen as they wait in line to get their soda floats.



1920's- The Doheny's set sail on the "Casiana".



1920's- Telegram sent to CSJ Superior Mother Agnes Rossiter from Mother Margaret Mary Brady approving the plan for Mount St. Mary's College.



1920's- St. Mary's Academy in Inglewood was the Mount's first home and provincial headquarters of the Sisters of St. Joseph.





Doheny Orientation

New Friends, New School, New Journey

The power of a selfie is influential in today's generation. In this case, it is the "usie" that brought freshmen closer to their Orientation leaders and their new home: the Doheny campus. It was a bright and warm day on Friday, July 17, 2015 when freshmen began their college journey at the Doheny orientation. Students gathered at the Rose Hills Auditorium and were introduced to the many resources the Mount offers. Imagine walking into an auditorium, seeing new faces, no longer seeing the cliques from your high school, and being introduced to students, staff, and faculty with a higher education, it would seem a little intimidating, right? Well not in this case. The fun began when the Orientation leaders were introduced to the first year students. Wearing bright purple shirts and contagious smiles, students suddenly felt more at ease. The students played a multitude of games and fun activities that helped to create bonds between one another and hopefully, long lasting friendships. At the end of the day Laura Crow, Dean of Student Life at Chalon, spoke to the students "about the Division of Student Affairs and the resources offered by each of the departments to enhance their student life experience."

By: Patricia Arias
and Jessica Flores



1. Kia Frazier-Humphrey meets her very first friend Andrea Hernandez at the Mount in the Rose Hills Auditorium.

2. Laura Crow informed students on her department and what it has to offer.

3. Group selfie in action! Orientation leader gathers her group for a memorable photo.

4. Freshman admires her new cup that offers life-long inspirational advice from alumni

5. Jeanne Ruiz and her friend have a more personal conversation with staff member.



1930's- Brady Hall being constructed.
About 40 feet of rocks were removed in
order to make a flat surface.



Mid 1930's- Hand drawn college seal
created by Baker Heraldic of London.

Welcome Mass

Lighting the Path to Success Through Prayer

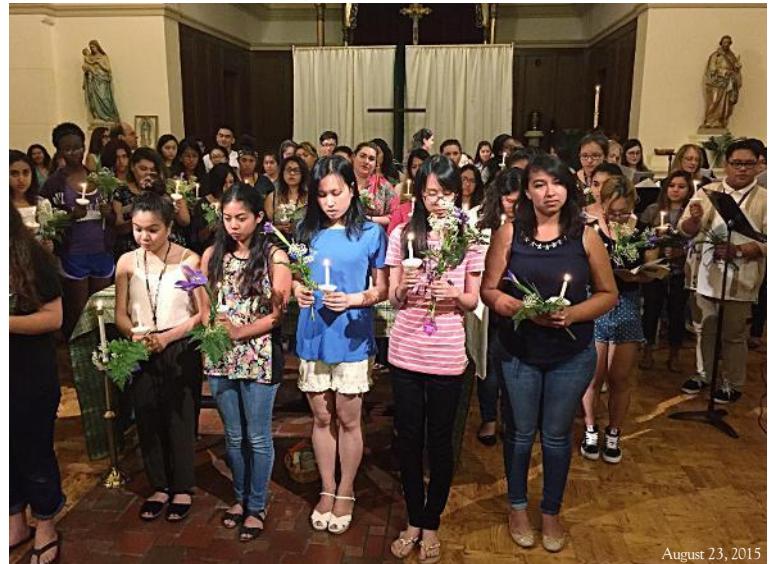
Students were back at the Mount before class resumed, both ready and nervous as ever for the new school year. On Sunday, August 23, 2015, a day before class, both freshmen and current students gathered at the chapel for prayer. Campus Ministry warmly welcomed the anxious souls.

The Welcome Mass is an invitation to initiate the school year with the guidance of God, along with the support of friends and family. The Bible readings were conducted by students and the Dean of Student Life, Laura Crow. The Mass came with hopes that the words and spirit of God were present to help reassure students that this school year is achievable.

New students were asked to stand at the alter for the traditional prayer at the Mount. A candle and purple flowers were given to each student. The lit candle is a representation of guidance to their success, while the purple flowers represents their personal success. The audience extended their palms up to send their positive energy.

It was a warm feeling to see students, friends, family members, staff, and faculty support the Mount's students. With prayer, candles, the soothing piano playing in the background, warm hugs, contagious smiles and energy, it is inevitable for students to feel at home and ready for an unstoppable year.

By: Stephanie Castillo



Father Felix presents the body and blood of Christ to the audience as he gives the blessing of the Lord. The crowd looked up with the grace of faith.



Gloria Perea, resident minister with Campus Ministry welcomes the new incoming freshman as she provides the blood of Christ in the form of wine during Mass.

O-Group Reunion



Finding Familiar Faces All Around

A day usually spent at the Circle was moved to the Campus Center due to morning rain. As you walk down the hall towards the Campus Center students were suddenly hit with the sweet smell of robust pizza from Dominoes. Laughs and warm greetings could be heard a mile away as O-group leaders reunited with their O-babies. O-group leaders asked their O-babies how the school year was going and many students explained their struggles and victories. This event helps to bring friends together after an unfamiliar week of studies for all the new college students.

By: Patricia Arias

Commuter Retreat

The Perks of Being a Commuter



On a bright Sunday morning, freshman commuters were welcomed to gather at the Campus Center to get to know other commuters just like them. As they got to meet other freshmen they also got to meet upperclassmen commuters and learn how they have handled commuting while at the Mount. Positive and exciting energy channeled throughout the room and freshmen were excited to socialize through the ice breakers. One freshman, Anahi Rossales, let her peers know that she enjoyed eating sushi during this time. At the end of social hour

the winner of Bingo won some Mount gear. Finally everyone's favorite time of the day came, lunchtime! During which, commuter mentors and mentees continued getting to know one another. Some mentors even shared with their mentees where they enjoyed spending their free time in between classes. Before the day ended, freshmen commuters who attended were able to be the first students on campus to sign up for their locker and get their commuter sticker. Now they are truly ready to begin the year!

By: Stephanie Tobar



1. Graciela Guerrero and Lynette Tablada exchange information about one another in order to win some Mount gear.

2. Sidney Williams and Craig Coronel also share information about one another during the Bingo ice breaker. Each Athenian trying to be a step closer to winning themselves some Mount gear.



1932- Brady first Lounge; the original student lounge in Brady Hall. Decorated with a Spanish Gothic design.



1932- Welcome sign that remained until the 1950's when honeybees necessitated its removal.



1933- Dedication of new Marian shrine on the campus. Rev. Joseph A. Vaughan led the rosary and blessed the shrine.

Happy Birthday to U!

Celebrating 90 Years of Existence

As the DJ played his first track "Hold On We're Going Home" by hip hop artist Drake, MSMU felt like home to students once again. It was a toasty day on August 26, 2015 when students, faculty, staff and the Sisters of St. Joseph Carondelet joined together at the Circle to celebrate the University's 90th year standing. The Circle was filled with different stations providing students with buttery popcorn, juicy fruit, warm cookies, a coffee stand for a pick-me-up, DIY yogurt parfaits, and exciting games to participate in.

It was the first event of the year, so why not kick it off with a birthday party? Around noon, Laura Gomez from Campus Ministry initiated everyone to sing "happy birthday" loud and proud. Singing echoed throughout the campus. A celebratory cake was cut by Sister Catherine Marie Kreta CSJ and everyone indulged in the chocolate goodness.



Freshmen Hien Doan (left) and Taniamari Real (right) took on the challenge of placing an Oreo cookie on their forehead and trying to eat it without using their hands. Hien achieved it and cheered on Taniamari to not give up.

Students began to rush outside after class to join the fun: free food, cool music, reconnect with friends, make new friends, talk to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, and simply enjoy their first week back home.

Hold on MSMU, we've made it to 90 years.

By: Jessica Flores



In spite of the hot weather, students lined up for their free coffee. Meghan Mai joined her O-Group leader Beverly Flores for a delicious iced latte after class.



After singing Happy Birthday to the Mount, students and the Sisters joined together for a picture to capture the celebratory moment.



1935- Mount students take an aim on archery at the Chalon campus.



1935- Junior students carry garlands of ivy to the newly constructed Mount Bowl for Commencement.



1939- Rossiter Hall under construction for the Sisters to live in. Before, they lived in Brady.



August 26, 2015



AtheNEON Night

Groov3 to the Beat



1. Various faculty and student workers come together to show off their Athenian pride. Their hard work paid off as AtheNEON proved to be a great success.

2. Hungry participants work hard to earn their tantalizing Pink's hot dog.

Swaying their sassy hips from side to side with the Zumba instructors, the ladies at Mount Saint Mary's did not let the humid weather stop them from being #fierce. AtheNEON is one of the many Welcome Week events created for both incoming freshmen and returning students to help students relieve stress while having tons of fun. The vibrant vibe was just what students needed to kick-off the new school year. It could be seen that everyone was enjoying themselves all through the night. The concept of wearing neon to this event symbolized how we, as Athenians, can be bright and stand out. Everyone was feeling strong, confident and of course, unstoppable.

AtheNEON Night started off as a fun event that turned out helping Athenians create confidence in themselves while in a new environment, especially for the freshmen who are often seen as the "newbies" on campus. During the event, freshmen and upperclassmen alike got out of their comfort zones and just went for it. Vibing with the music and spending time with friends brought students together. With faculty watching a new generation of college students unfold before their eyes, it showed just how unstoppable Mount students are. This is the type of event where students can possibly meet their new best friend or create memories that will last a lifetime.

By: Kimberly Becerra



August 27, 2015



Head Resident Assistants, Veronica Ochoa and Cristina Lopez, along with Chinako Belanger, Associate Director of Residence Life pose together after an intense workout with Groov3. Happy to promote health and fitness through dance and fun.

3. Enthusiastic Jessica De Jesus participated in the workout from the beginning to the end.

4. Gabrielle Bega gets down to the beat of her own drum.



Pink's offered a variety of hot dogs to replenish participants after the intense dance workout. The hot dogs were suited to every palette ranging from beef chili cheese dogs to vegetarian dogs and everything in between.

Waiting in the long line for their treat proved to be worth it in the end as Claire Atanacio, Ku'ulei Faustino, Kayla Francisco and Jennifer Delenon enjoy their well deserved break from school work.



1940s- A small pickup truck served to haul groceries, supplies and trash for the college and became the property of the Mount Dog Danny Boy.



Approx. 1942- Mount student Joan Nagao and her husband Henry Umeda on their wedding day in the Manzanar internment camp. The photo is signed "to the dear sisters of Mount Saint Mary's College."



The Circle was created between 1943 and 1944 when St. Joseph's hall was built. In this photo taken between 1940 and 1944 the bare soil and stacks of boards await the landscapers.



1. María Morales and Maricela Fausto wave their bright flags high while dancing to the guest DJs from AMP radios music as they display their GSA pride.

2. As if being in a Kimono isn't fun enough, Sophomore, Aimee Hernandez shows off her moves in the Circle as she jumps in on the mini dance-off.

3. I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream, students line up for Dip and Dots as they try to stay cool in the hot weather.



1943- A pair of beautiful new vehicles shuttled students to class field trips, social events and to and from public transport hubs in Santa Monica and Westwood.



1945- Mount student enjoy their senior prom at the Beverly Hills Hotel.



1947- Charles Willard Coe Memorial library was completed it featured gothic embellishments and three entrance doors.



4. Junior, Journalism student Jessica Flores poses for the camera as she represents the club Athenian Print, by trying to get students to hashtag her club to win a prize.

5. Junior, Criminal Justice Major, Jennifer Loza smiles with a crown acting silly as she signs up for the Crossfit club on campus. Jennifer stated, "I really try to stay in shape during the school year, so I eat right and work out."



September 3, 2015

Student Involvement Fair

A Place to Belong

On September 3, 2015 students gathered around white tents set up in the Circle to witness the various types of clubs the Mount has to offer. As you walk by, the first thing you'd notice were the red and blue flags being waved back and forth from students in the Gay-Straight Alliance Club as they display their pride and inform by-passers who they are. Walking through the tents, students zip past with the look of excitement and curiosity streaming across their faces. You can see the nervousness of Freshman nursing students frantically signing up for Alpha Tau Delta and the California Nursing Student Association in order to feel part of the nursing community on campus. Pangkat Pilipino Club booth filled with their families as the clubs

veterans greet each other with hugs and laughter dancing through the air, singing the song of the year to come. Students look through the tents and tentatively sign up for clubs in hopes of finding a place they can belong to on campus. This is only the beginning. The beginning of a new year, new challenges, a new semester, new beginnings, new friends, a new place we call home away from home. We will all have different paths, different club groups we will call "family." The moment we sign up and commit to ATD, Pangkat, Sakura Society, etc., we find a little bit of ourselves. Someone we can relate to, lean on, and call a friend. The moment we put our name down to commit to a club or society that is larger than "just school work," our lives are changed. Together we can now share laughs, make new friends, go to more events, and find a place to belong.

By: Destanee Guevera



As if the Mount's Student Involvement Fair wasn't fun enough, the Student Involvement Fair's guest DJ from AMP radio played music that caused the student body to want to get up and dance. Student Jucel Andrin showed off his moves as the song "Gas Pedal" by The Gemini began to play. Even though he was too shy to dance at first, with all of his friends and fellow Mount peers encouraging him to jump in and show off his talent, he danced in the middle of the Circle causing the entire student body to stop and stare. Even though the dancing group started small, it had begun to grow as many were encouraged by watching their peers fearlessly showing off their talents. By the end of the Student Involvement Fair, over 100 students were dancing in the middle of the Circle to songs such as "The Cupid Shuffle" by Cupid. The entire Circle roared with laughter and good feelings as the student body bonded through dance and laughter.



September 18, 2015

Think Civility

Will You Take The Pledge?

On a day filled with fun, sun, and friendliness, students were able to take the Athenian pledge for life-long civility in a few different ways at this year's "Think Civility!" fair. Tables were crowded with students writing out their personal pledges, and the air was filled with an overwhelming sense of commitment. When asked why she was attending the event, pledge-taker Natalie Gayles answered, "Well, I wanted to make a change." That barely summarizes the goal of the 'Think Civility!' mission. The objective of the movement is to motivate students and faculty to take on each day and new person with an open heart and open mind, while also discouraging bigotry, discrimination, and prejudice of any kind. Students crafted boxes with their own pledges inside, and kept them as a reminder of what they signed up for sounds good, right? So, with that in mind, will you take on the Mount's new Civility project?

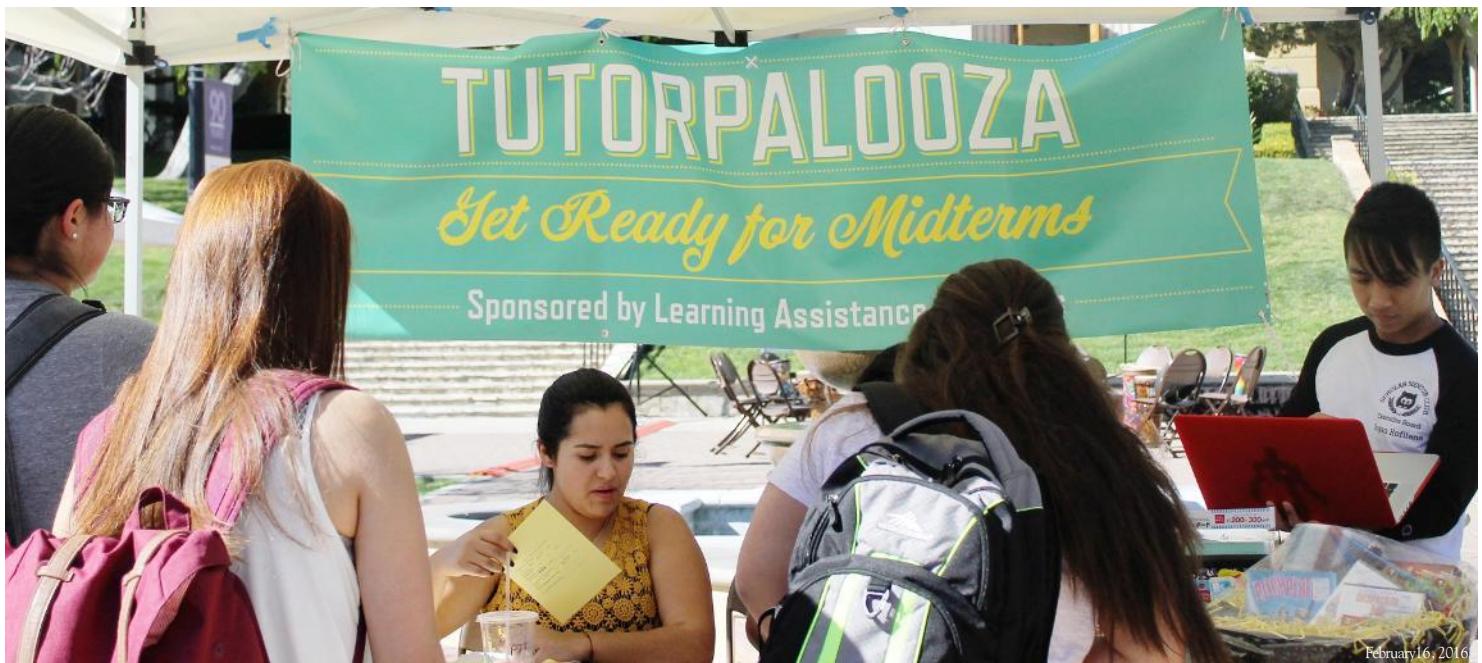
By: Mya Dunn



1. Cristina Salcedo, Assistant Director for Campus Security and Marcy Newman, former Associate Director of Career Services and Internships, have both taken the pledge.

2. Leis Dominique helped other students decorate their boxes with positive words.

3. Students had the opportunity to spin the wheel and answer a civility question for cool prizes.



February 16, 2016



Tutorpalooza

Where Fun and Tutoring Coincide

1. Melanie Sava and Emely Reardon discuss politics and how they can bring change to our governments.

2. Paul Martin and Arlene Valdes brush up on their 'language.'

3. Yaritza Villa and Melanie Corral chant along with one of the performers adding good music and cheers to the Circle.

4. Dean Crowe, along with other student feel the vibes by joining the drum circle.

5. Melanie Corral and Danielle Andersen take hold of the drums and drum at the beat of their heart.

It's that time of the year that every student dreads...midterms. Lucky for the Mount students the Learning Assistant Center put together a wonderful event to help them ace those exams! Students were offered tutors for every subject, from chemistry, to Spanish, to politics. Despite the heat, students gathered to help one another become experts on the matter. This years event was treated to their very own drum circle. Student came together to escape into the beat of their own heart to de-stress. Midterms or heat, nothing can stop these Mount students from being successful.

By: Isela Retana-Torres



Spring of 1945- Members of the class of 1945 and 1946 hold a tea party in the student lounge in Brady Hall.



1947- The Charles Willard Coe Memorial Library was completed.



January 13, 1949- The grand staircase and Brady Hall are blanketed in a flurry of white fluffy snow.

Mount's Got Talent

Creativity Lights the Night Up

Living in Los Angeles sometimes the view may be taken for granted of how absolutely majestic the city looks at night. The scenery gave the performances a boost. It turned the Campus Plaza into a live, bright performance space that felt a lot like the Greek Theater. The early attendees enjoyed the breathtaking view along with a pre-show sound check that gave a peek at the performances in store for the evening. This served as a tease increasing the eagerness for the evening to begin and as if their faces were any indication, it made the performers even more nervous.

However, as the time ticked by it was clear that the performers were beginning to shake off their earlier jitters. As people began to trickle in the nervousness was replaced by support. Whether the support be from friends, family or just the general Mount community it was clear that no matter how the performances went the performers were going to be supported. Vanessa Fano, a freshman psychology major said, "I found that the Mount's Got Talent event was a very fun energetic experience where people united to show that our school embraces people's talents." Anyone that's been in college for any length of time knows exactly how stressful it can be. Mount's Got Talent provided a welcome outlet to relieve the stress for both attendees and performers alike.

By: Melia Person



Athenians smiled through the glorious evening even though they weren't sure what to expect from the extravagant performers. While waiting for the show to start, everyone socialized.



1950s- Mount Alumnae enjoy a backyard luncheon hosted at the Malibu home of one of the members.



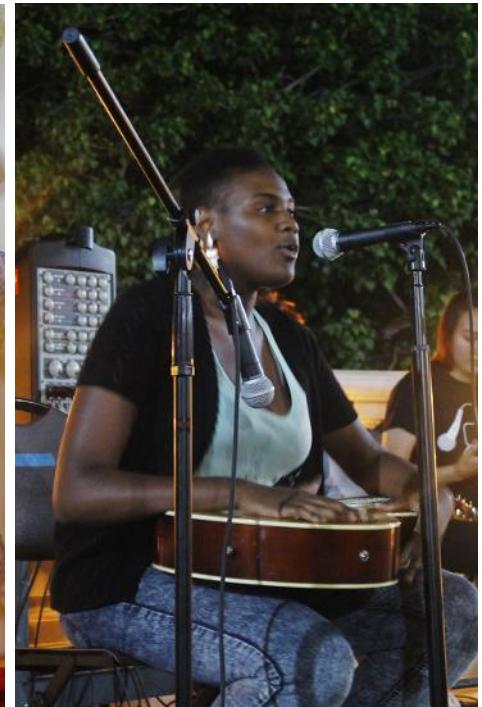
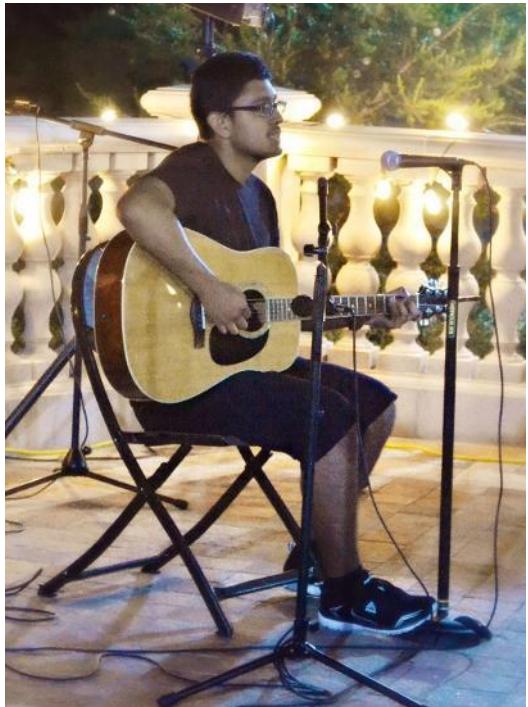
About 1950- Interracial week was held annually beginning in 1947 as part of a national observance promoting multiculturalism.



50's- A traditional costumed passion play, "The Great World Theater" made its international English Language debut at the Mount.



September 21, 2015



Enchanting the night with the melody of his voice, Isaias Servantes wooed the crowd with his marvelous sound. Despite his nervousness, it was clear that the crowd loved his sweet sultry crooning.

Strumming the night away, Mariel Santos played a unique song dedicated to her boyfriend. Who was miles away from her. The crowd was touched by her sweet gesture.

Performing spoken word to the beat of her guitar, OnJeton Williams gave the crowd chills because she gave such a passionate performance. It left the crowd speechless, and caused several to give her a standing ovation.



Women's Leadership Conference

September 19, 2015

Fortune Favors The Bold

One of the most incredible things about going to a predominantly female school is the emphasis on female empowerment. This is emphasized daily, but every year during the Women's Leadership Conference it is highlighted. A perfect sunny and warm Los Angeles day set the scene for what would prove to be one of the most impactful days of the attendees lives. When asked about her experience, sophomore Michella Mousaed said, "Getting to hear Olympia speak was inspiring, she challenged me to rethink my fears in a way that leads me towards a path of success."

The day was along one, beginning early in the morning and ending in the early evening. But despite that, everyone's energy was up throughout the whole day and remained ready to receive the essential information about being a leader and creating a vision that you are proud of. The speakers ranged in professions from rocket scientist (Olympia LePoint) to social entrepreneur (Jessica Jackley, Kate Mulling) to Meteorologist (Bri Winkler) and everything in between. The event had a clear focus on teaching and supporting others in being able to live a full

and fruitful life through embracing the power that they have within. Speaker Olympia LePoint said, "As you experience more of life's situation recognize the power that exudes from your being." There was also a focus on networking. Many participants exchanged emails, business cards, and phone numbers in the hopes of creating a lasting business connection. Networking with the attendees and speakers exposed students with great opportunities. Making the conference more significant to the mount community.

By: Melia Person



1. Jessica Lopez, senior, gives her full attention to the speaker. Poised and ready to gain all the leadership knowledge possible.

2. Olympia LePoint, author, award winning rocket scientist and CEO of OL Consulting Corporation and Publishing giving her rousing speech; "Reprogramming your brain to overcome fear." The speech was popularized when she gave a TEDtalk under the same name.

3. Detrich Galloway and Natalie Gales, mother and daughter duo, enjoying the days festivities.

4. Our faithful leader, President Ann McElaney Johnson, gave remarks on the day and how important it is to support and celebrate women in leadership roles. With her energizing words, she roused the crowd and got them ready for the inspiring day at hand.

5. The Circle was decorated to the nines and all the attendees were welcomed to sit and converse while eating a delicious lunch.



1951- MSMC students pose with Loyola Marymount lion. The lion went missing that same day and was given as a birthday present to Margaret Parkinson.



1953- Mount Students pose with a parchment leaf from a medieval antiphonal located in the treasure room.



1953- The college swim team pose for pictures on the north side of the Chalon pool. Joan Weston, roller derby phenom, is the third from the right.

Mass of the Holy Spirit



Together In Harmony As One Heart

On Tuesday, September 22, 2015, the Mass of the Holy Spirit touched on a little bit of everything. An event special on its own was made even more special with the Pope's arrival in New York that same morning. Today we celebrated The Holy Spirit, which is the third person in the manifestation of the holy trinity.

On this bright and sunny day, cheerful faces filled the room as they received a Mass pamphlet and a red band. The choir began to chant as Father George O'Brien made his way down the hall, along with alter servers Lauren Lomeli and Juliette Jauregui, passing by devotional students, sisters, professors, and staff workers. Father O'Brien invited everyone to the Mass with open arms and initiated with the first blessing. President Ann McElaney-Johnson presented the Homily, a reflection on how we should live life with the Gospel and apply it to school, to be guided by God.

The crowd sang along with the choir and danced with the motivated, enthusiastic Campus Ministry student workers, as they enjoyed a break from work and school to be in harmony with God. Sarah Castillo read out loud the Corinthians for the first reading. The Corinthians was about the gifts provided by the Holy Spirit to perform service to our community. Yasmin Hernandez, the canter, approached the podium nervously, but automatically surprised the audience with her angelic, calm, sweet voice as she cantered Psalm 104 Responsorial. With the

crowd moved spiritually, Dr. Faraah Mullings continued to present the second reading. The Father read the Gospel Proclamation, Luke 4: 14-2, explaining how the spirit was anointed to all to proclaim all people.

At this moment Na Pua O Ka 'Aina executive board members performed a beautiful and peaceful dance called "One Heart" while several staff and students placed upon the alter Shawls representing various cultures that attend the school. Afterwards the Father and the President broke the bread as they recited a prayer to bless it in the name of the body of Christ. Everyone lined up to receive a blessing and the communion of the body of Christ. Finally, Father O'Brien dismissed the audience with great wishes and glorious success in the school year as he stood at the side of the alter alongside the president and alter servers.

Father O'Brien also directed the Mass of the Holy Spirit at Doheny on September 24, 2015 along with alter server Deacon Miguel Cruz, a current Mount Saint Mary's staff member. Jacelyn Velasquez, one of the speakers, was the psalmist of the Mass. The Mass ended with everyone enjoying a scrumptious plate of chicken, salad, bread, and dessert. Feeling inspired and rejuvenated, everyone left more at ease with joy in their hearts.

By: Stephanie Castillo



1. Na Pua O Ka 'Aina executive board members Aimee Reyes, Jacel Ancheta, lead the "One Heart" dance to honor praise all cultures together in the blessing from the Holy Spirit.

2. Denise Cabral extended palms out to Sr. Catherine Maria Kreta CSJ to receive a blessing.

3. Claudia Reyes, freshman, helped a fellow Mount student by serving food provided by Food Services.

4. Elina Melkonyan, freshman, stood up along with the president to recite the last blessing of the Mass. Her voice echoed across the room along with many other voices.

5. Robin Owens, Faculty in Religious Studies, guided the ushers, Amy Ventura and Raquel del Toro, towards the alter and Assistant Dean Jeanette Stone carrying the procession.

6. With hands up Jacelyn Velasquez guided the audience to let the Holy Spirit into their hearts.

7. Deacon Miguel Cruz gives the communion to a Doheny student.

8. Sister Joan O'Dwyer placed a shawl on the alter to commemorate the various cultures in attendance to the Mass, along with ADN Morena Rivas.



1955- The graduate program was founded and the first Master's degree was in music conferred the following year.



1955- The nursing class descends down the Chalon steps in ranks in their cap and gowns.



1955- Marked the international year of the rosary. Some of the rosaries that were offered during the time are kept in the College Archives.

Major & Minor Fair

The Possibilities Are Endless

On a very beautiful sunny day, Athenians roamed around the Circle trying to find their place in the educational world. They socialized with faculty to get an insight on how they'd be able to make their journey at the Mount by themselves. Walking past every booth, the faculty tried to grasp student attention with a fun activity that will aid in the decision of the perfect major. Exiting the Major & Minor Fair, students left with a more profound insight on an intended major at the Mount. Academic Advisement made it easy for Athenians to take that extra step with their life changing decision by providing the necessary information and paperwork.

By: Stephanie Tobar



Joshua Helston, Mathematics instructor, thrilled to be able to inform Athenians about the fun in Math.



Denise Cabral conversing with Melissa Berry about the requirements for an English minor.



Academic Advisement making it easy for Athenians to add a minor or a major.



1950's- Sister helps facilities engineer capture a large rattlesnake. The snake was later released off campus.



1949-55- Sister Agnes Marie O'Loughlin was the Mount's fourth president.



1955-58- Sister Rosemary Lyons was the fifth president of the Mount.

Graduate School Fair



September 24, 2015

The Next Step Towards Completing Your Journey

On September 24, 2015 students crowded together in the Campus Center to meet and greet a numerous grad school representatives. Although it was a very hot and sunny day the A/C kept everyone cool. Attendees came in either professional attire or nursing attire and came prepared to ask questions. Many options are presented to students upon graduation and the Grad Fair is meant to open up the doors to whatever career path one chooses to take. This is a great event to interact with former grad students and learn about what grad school can offer.

Career Services coordinated the event and had student workers to serve as guides. The packet provided was filled with information on the participating schools and their specialties. Students who decided to stop by and see what the fair was about were pleasantly surprised with the amount of career paths offered as a grad student.

Kelsey Horrigan who works for Career Services helped to set up and manage the fair. "It is very rewarding to see everything you worked hours for come together and run smoothly," she said.

By: Patricia Arias

1. Ajeé Anderson and Amber Bradley spoke with a representative to talk about their career dreams and if his institute could possibly fit in with their needs.

2. The representative for UCLA gave an introduction to what his grad program has to offer. His delivery might have just gained him a few future grad students.



Homecoming 2015



90 Years of Long-Lasting Memories

As alumni of all years gathered on October 10, 2015 at the Chalon campus they came to celebrate the University's 90th year as an academic institution. Many fond memories were brought back as the past graduates came back to their alma mater. The night's festivities started with the Homecoming Mass that welcomed the alumni back and gave time for everyone to reflect back on their time here at the Mount. After the Mass ended the alumni were able to reconnect with old classmates and friends outside of Mary Chapel. There could be seen all around bright smiling faces and warm hugs that were given. As the different classes gathered together to celebrate their different reunions, there was one graduating class that have come to celebrate an amazing milestone. The Class of 1965, were celebrating their 50th graduation anniversary and were dubbed the Golden Grads for the night. As the night carried on, there was a feel of absolute bliss in the air. The graduates and current students

alike were able to mingle together and share stories of what life was like on the Mount before to what it is now. Both generations were able to share their experiences and connect throughout the night. Though after the sun had fully set and the evening breeze swept through the Circle that was when the real party started. President McElaney-Johnson revealed the Mount's future plans for the Wellness Pavilion. Mount students and alumni alike were all thrilled to hear about the great news of the further expansion of the University. These future plans showed our Mount community that like our students, the plans to better our campus are unstoppable. As the beautiful string lights twinkled like the stars in the night sky the dance floor opened. Music from throughout the ages were played for the attendants to get up to move and groove to the tune of their time and danced the night away.

By: Mary Page Diaz



Old friends regroup and converse about the times they have shared and how much the Mount has changed.



Guests line up for some delicious food and share some laughs as they walk down the table.



Sisters, that have graduated from the Mount, gather around the entrance to the Chapel to pose for a reunion photo.



Mass was held before the Homecoming dinner in order to welcome back all of the alumni that were coming back to the Mount to help celebrate.



Graduates from Class of 1980 gather together to take a group picture to commemorate the night.



Class of 1965 were celebrated this year as the "Golden Grads"



1955- The new sign was installed, which helped visitors distinguish between the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Mount campus.



1956- The view staff posing with their first publication.



1957- Students display a valuable reproduction of an Irish Manuscripts work. It is from the Treasure Room of the Charles Willard Coe Memorial Library.

Mount in the City

Beauty and the Beast

On November 13, 2015 MITC took several students to the enchanting Disney production Beauty and the Beast. Yesenia Martel, one of the students who went described her experience as "Enchanting!" The book used for the show was initially written by Linda Woolverton and it featured music by Alan Menken and lyrics by Howard Ashman.

The story known internationally is about an intellectual female, Belle and her true love the beast. The beast, a prince is cursed along with his household by an enchantress. He must learn to love and be loved in order to return to his former self before the flower bestowed upon him dies.

Throughout the performance the girls were singing along, smiling and acting out the scenes. The play did an excellent job providing freedom to sing along. During the intermission some got snacks and drinks in a memorable Beauty and the Beast cup. The girls were in awe and admiration with the performance which left all feeling like a princess. As well took advantage of the gift shop to take home a piece of the show.

By: Stephanie Castillo

Disneyland 60th Anniversary



1. Samantha Bordador, Natalia Ramero, Sierra Siebert, Melia Person, Aimee Hernandez, Julia Vanella, glistened with the light of the sun as they wait to ride the Haunted Mansion.

2. Alanah Nicosia and Adrianna Ramirez smiled big as they made it through the peak of the day enjoying all the attractions and rides.



Disneyland marked the second trip for the year, an exciting start to the fall semester. On sunny September 27, 2015 a group of 66 students and staff were shuttled to the theme park for a day of fun. Upon arriving to main street the group took a picture. Then everyone dispersed into groups of friends and staff. With the downloaded app and a map on hand Dr. Faraah Mullings, Director of Student Programming and Commuter Services, went with a few students on rides.

Their first destination was Jungle Cruise. They then transitioned into greater thrills; Pirates of the Caribbean ride, Haunted Mansion, Star Tours, and ended with Hyperspace Mountain. While waiting in line the group made time fly by with games of charades. The whole group in the end enjoyed the traditional Disney fireworks show. I'd say this day ended with a blast of fun.

By: Stephanie Castillo

Los Angeles Galaxy Game



On Saturday, September 12, 2015, marked the first Mount in the City event for the academic year LA Galaxy v. Montreal. Students from both Chalon and Doheny ventured to the StubHub stadium to watch the game. On this thrilling day the girls were able to cheer for their favorite team, but being LA natives the majority cheered for LA Galaxy. The weather was perfect and as a bonus Beast 980 AM radio was there giving out free giveaways and face painting. Yesenia Martel and Jamie Huang the coordinators of the event did an amazing job. introducing this activity to the book of events of MITC.

By: Stephanie Castillo

Cirque Du Soleil



On January 22, 2016 the Mount in the City program captured the interest of several Mount students with another captivating, on the edge of your seat excitement. Kurios a themed show from Cirque Du Soleil was a realm of imagination and fascination that portrayed the matter of living life in seconds as minutes. The show kept Mount students baffled with the performances from the hilarious imaginary ones to the dangerous, risk taking tricks. After the show several students bought souvenirs to remember the night.

By: Stephanie Castillo

The Illusionist



A magical encounter full of laughter and chills was experienced on March 11, 2016. The Illusionists starred in the Pantages Theatre in Los Angeles for the first time after its countless performances in Broadway. The eight performers displayed their impossible talents with comedic relief from two of the performers. There were card tricks, bows, locks & chains, knives, use of animations and blood. All of which overall created an amazing show great for kids of all ages and adults too.

Some girls were covering their eyes at the astonishment of some of the performances. There were jokes and small tricks to get laugh out from experiencing some of the greater tricks. One that left the crowd at the edge of their seat was the coin inside the body trick where he had to cut his arm to release the coin. In the end the girls left stupefied.

By: Stephanie Castillo



1959- Home economics professor CSJ Sister Cecile Therese Beresford tries out the new electric range in Casa Marguerita.



1959- CSJ Catherine Therese Knoop looking into Mary Chapel.



1961- Two Mount students are initiated into the Solidarity of Our Lady.



October 24, 2015

Athenian Day

90's Theme For 90 Years

On the beautiful Saturday morning of October 24, 2015, Athenians and alumni gathered together and competed to show who's best. Throughout the day each team was competing in games that not only required physical strength but encouragement. One of the many character traits nurtured at the Mount. As you approach the sign-in booth you can sense that it was going to be a day to remember. Each team made stunning posters advertising their theme along with a uniform to show their dedication. In the opening act, each team performed a skit of their choice. During each skit the joyful laughs of the Athenians filled the environment with excitement. Building up an energy that was spread throughout the day.

One of the most exciting games that took place was the four by four dodge ball. Each team had to work together and knock down another team's tower of cups or strike them with the ball in order to get them disqualified. During the first set The Jenkins, RA Squad,

Sandlot, and GSA Power Rangers competed against one another in a very amusing and humorous way. The Jenkins, RA Squad, and Sandlot all huddled up and turned against GSA Power Rangers as an act of revenge for knocking down most of their cups. In the end, even by being the target, the GSA Power Rangers won the match. All the teams gathered and congratulated one another. As the day was coming to an end, Athenians were thrilled to be informed on who earned the title of Athenian Day Champions. As each individual awards were announced the suspense built up for the final award was remarkable. The GSA Power Rangers were named the champions of 2015 Athenian Day. After the winner was announced nothing but joy continued to fill the area. It was an event that brought out the true definition of a community.

By: Stephanie Tobar



1960's- Stanley Slotkin, founder of Abbey Rents and benefactor to the Mount, poses with his donation.



1960's- View editors discuss a story over a new typewriter that was given to them.



1960's- Doheny students pray in a temporary chapel in building 10.



1. Lorenz De Leon fends for his team as the strongest male player. With a target in mind he takes his initial steps ready to throw.



2. The opportunity of Angelica Pizano and Jessica Cuevas, from the Alumni Team, slipped out of their hands with a startled jump to avoid getting wet. They prevailed in the end with an Unstoppable Award.



3. The ISAF Barbies and Ken team get together with their sign as they were just awarded the Spirit Award for being the most supportive and active group throughout the event.

4. The fanny pack gang cheers the competitors as they finish the challenges, demonstrating great sportsmanship.

5. Melissa Juan and Liliana Resendez from SGA hurry as the race against time is the determination to see if they place top three.



6. Champions of the 2015 Athenian Day games, The Mighty Power Rangers rise up in joy accepting the cheer and applause from the other teams.



11. Last one standing Gielliane de Leon, prepares throw as she takes aim to her next victim. There is no stopping this Ninja Turtle.



7. Keeping it together Team member Lauren Lomeli from the Sandlot tries to pass the hula hoop after Audrey Soriano to continue to the next challenge.

8. R.A. Squad Dalia Cruz and Veronica Ochoa demonstrate powerful concentration as they strive to catch the water balloon.

9. A.A.C.W. along with their adviser and main supporter Dr. Faraah Mullings pose after being awarded Best Skit Award.

10. Josilyn Ruiz, from the Mighty Power Rangers, through the pressure of time lands the chance to give us a thumbs up, representing her joy and positive energy through out the whole competition.

Haunted Open House



October 28, 2015



Student worker was excited to help assist students with the sign-in process.



Brittney Plascencia hands out the appetizing treats of the Women's Leadership and Student Involvement office.



Career Services' Graduate Assistant, Angela Tilley, and Marlene Simon are part of Career Services and Internships and with their help the Haunted Open House was able to look ghoulful and terrific!

Kimberly Terrill, Claire Eckenrode, Kimberly Otrega, and Susuan Cacique work together to pass out snacks and warmly welcome students coming into the office.



Chills and Thrills!

Career Services and Internships held a Haunted Open House in hopes to open up their services to as many students as possible in a fun and inviting way. It gave students a chance to visit the offices, meet staff members and find out what goes on in the office. Halloween time is the best time to make this happen due to its exciting and spooky nature. They decorated and had snacks and giveaways which included mostly candy and the students loved it! A prize drawing was held to all the students who filled out a survey.

By: Patricia Arias

Haunted Campus

Mount Saint SCARY



October 31, 2015



1. The Mount and Los Angeles families roaming around for a treat.

2. Families gathering around Doheny Cafe for entertainment, games, and raffle.

3. Faculty and students decorated the Doheny campus with original decor made by fellow Athenians.

One blustering night as the wind was blowing in the mid air, student and faculty created the Doheny campus into a petrifying scare zone. It was open to both the Mount and Los Angeles community. Families went from house to house receiving treats that were donated. About 25,000 pounds of candy was donated by the faculty, students, and community. Each house was decorated with inflatable figures of ghosts and pumpkins. The trees were decorated with pinatas in forms of witches and carved pumpkins in

tuxedos. The decorations played a big part in making the night fun and spooky. Many of our own Athenians spent their evening volunteering to make the night incredible. Pauline Welcome, Doheny freshman, mentioned how it was a heartwarming experience. "It really made me feel good seeing the smiles on the kids face when I gave them candy and witnessing how thankful their parents were as well." The haunting didn't end there, it was only getting started.

By: Stephanie Tobar



1960's- Students studying Secretarial Science at Doheny. In this picture, the students are being taught how to use different types of office machines.



1960's- Doheny student's parked along Chester Place.



1960's- Mothers and other Mount benefactors enjoy a luncheon and a fashion show around the swimming pool behind the Doheny Mansion.

Athenian Fashion

Fall Edition

It was a late start to the fall weather this year in California, as usual. Sandals, shorts, and t-shirts were still being worn in October. It wasn't until late October early November that we began to experience the Santa Ana winds, tree leaves falling, and being wrapped up in chunky scarves. As you probably already know, college fashion is not the same as high school fashion. With so many responsibilities, classes, and trying to maintain a social life, we tend to reach more for what is comfortable and what fits our personal style. Everyone has their own unique style that expresses who they are. There is no trying to fit in. Now it's all about embracing who you are. We have asked our very own Mount students what they look for when reaching into their closets.

By: Jessica Flores
and Melia Person

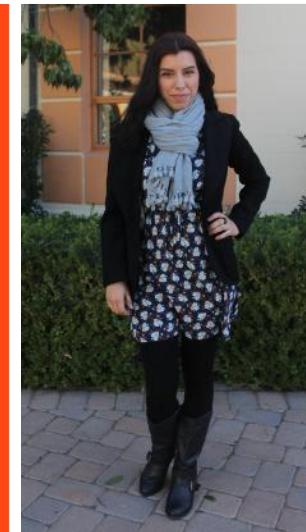


Name: Grant Vito

Year: Junior

Major: Nursing

Grant looks for an outfit that matches and makes sure it's weather appropriate.



Name: Rebecca Lopez

Year: Junior

Major: Sociology

Rebecca likes to shop at thrift stores to find vintage clothing.



Name: Jackie Filla, Ph.D

Year: Professor

Teaches: Political Science

Dr. Jackie Filla reaches more for a clean look when getting dressed.



Name: Anais Maseda

Year: Senior

Major: Psychology & Sociology

It is important to Anais that she dresses comfortable, cozy and warm.

Name: Craig Cornell

Year: Freshman

Major: Pre-Nursing

Craig loves to wear comfortable joggers.

Name: Alie Shebley

Year: Freshman

Major: Biology

Alie looks for lots of color to stand out because fall is usually bland.



1961 - The arches in front of Rossiter Hall show scorching from the fire that in the canyon.



1961 - Mount students or faculty show their humor by putting a vacancy sign in the doorway of a roofless Rossiter.



1962 - President Sister Rebecca Doan and Downtown Campus Director Eloise Therese Mescall welcome three new students to Doheny.

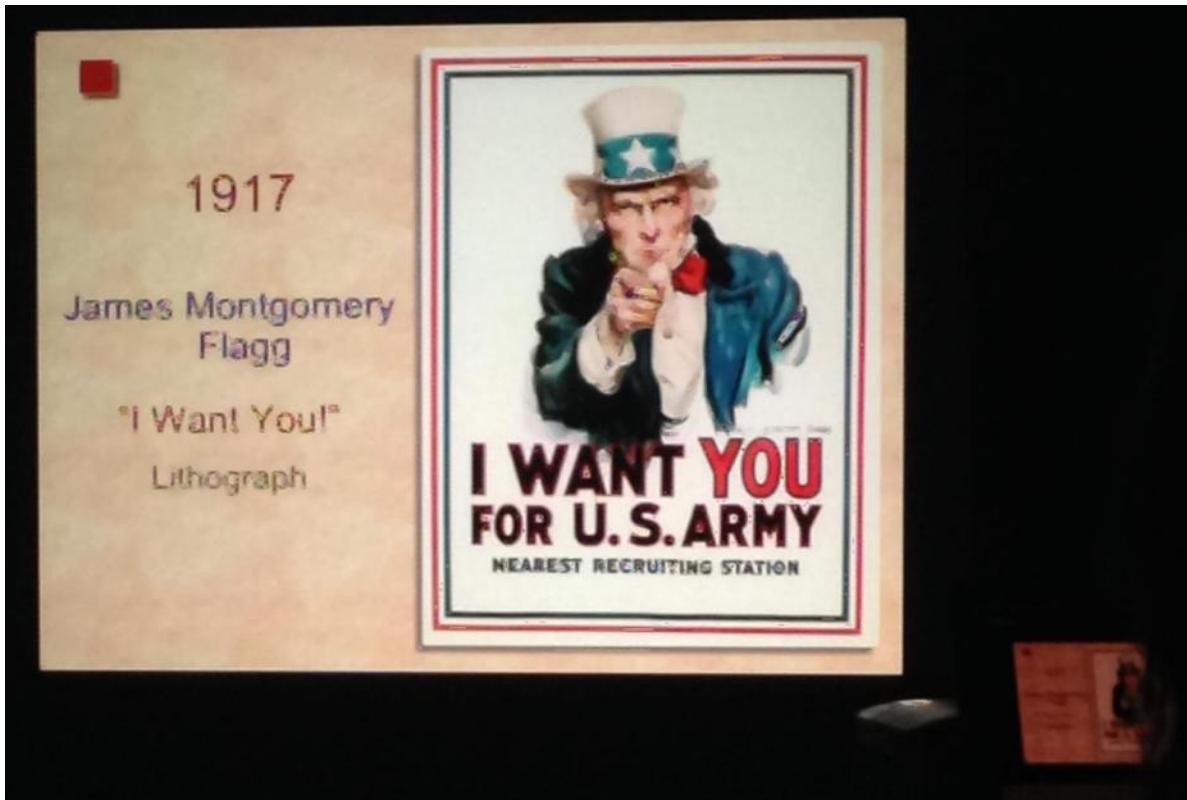


Fall Exhibit

No Human Is Illegal

Political science and art were brought together on a Monday evening to educate people on immigration policy and the history of posters. The No Human is Illegal opened its doors to the public, which was followed by a detailed presentation by the very well-known graphic artist, designer, illustrator, and painter David Edward Byrd. Students of all majors attended the show. David's presentation focused on the effect of using trigger words such as "white" and "colored" in different situations. Every wall in the gallery had a themed installment that focused on specific topics such as immigration and policy making. It was great seeing two fields, that you don't often associate with each other, and learn on how both relate and manifest a strong message.

By: Jessica Flores and
Tamara Murga



At the exhibit there was a lithograph projected onto the wall as part of the introduction to the exhibit.

Harvest Festival

The Mount Gives Thanks

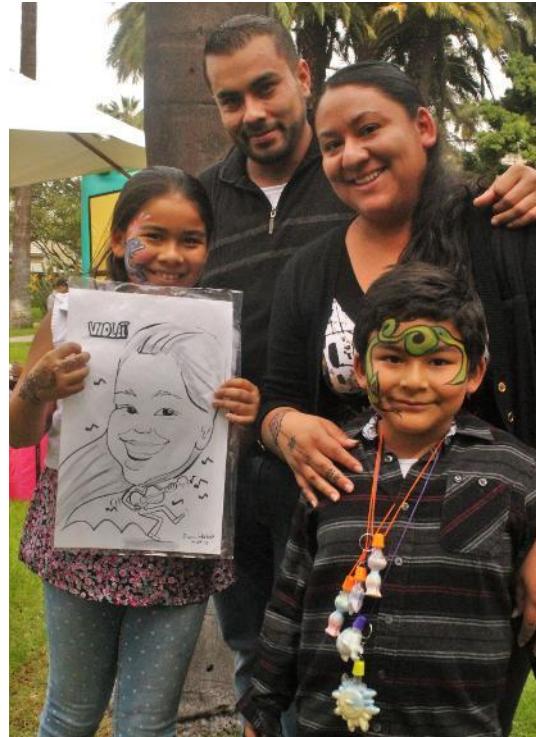
At the end of September an invitation for the fourth annual Community Harvest Festival for MSMU faculty and staff and their families was sent out. This annual event entices Mount employees to gather to enjoy complimentary food carts and booths, popcorn, cotton candy, snow cones, jumpers and activities. In much anticipation, the day finally arrived on Sunday, October 25th. The Doheny campus was decked with Halloween decorations creating the atmosphere for the season. While ghouls and goblins were seen scattered about the lawns, the Harvest Festival churned a spirit of laughter, shrieks of excitement from children running around chasing one another, tumbling in and out of inflatable jumpers. At tables, employees and their relatives exchanged hugs and conversation while dining on tasty nibbles of BBQ platters, funnel cake, empanada, deep fried Oreos, tacos, and pulled pork sandwiches.

Maryann Nguyen, Assistant Director of Civility and Student Affairs, who helped coordinate this event shared she wanted to make sure this was a fun event fulfilling the vision of President McElaney-Johnson, of expressing appreciation to Mount employees who willingly give selflessly of themselves. A special addition to this year's event was a six member live band strumming beats from a variety of music genres. A three hour event, members of the Mount community-CSJs, administrators, staff and faculty and along with their families departed having shared an afternoon on a cool autumn day bonding with colleagues from both campuses, their children making new playmates, and memories to last until next year.

By: Faraah Mullings, Ed.D



October 25, 2015



1. Sr. Joan Mary O'Dwyer, Sr. Carol Brong, and Sr. Kieran Vaughan take a minute to pose for a picture.

2. Carlos Martinez and his family spend time getting their faces painted and caricatures done.

3. Decorations were put out everywhere to help set the mood.

4. President McElaney-Johnson share stories while eating lunch.

5. A band came out to play some tunes, which the guest really seemed to enjoy.



Charity Ball



November 5, 2015



1. Angelica Butiu poses with her prize she won in the charity auction. Her donation goes towards the max foundation.

2. Along with the food and great charity prizes was a photo booth to remember this great event.



the Max Foundation provides. This expression of gratitude was followed by an informational video demonstrating the Max Foundation mission statement and ideology. The Mount community was also celebrated for its outstanding 90 years with a commemorative video.

Guests were later invited to bet on the extravagant donated prizes, and after one hour of placing bets the prize winners were announced. The Max Charity Ball was a grand success with a total of \$1,700 with all proceeds donated happily to the Max Foundation. The night concluded with a performance by Melanie Sava ('17), who sang a beautiful rendition of Rachel Platten's "Fight Song," beautiful angelic voice.

By: Stephanie Castillo



1962- Freshman take part in cooking lab using movable equipment for the first time.



1962- Students crowd into a classroom for a lecture during fall just after Doheny's doors opened.



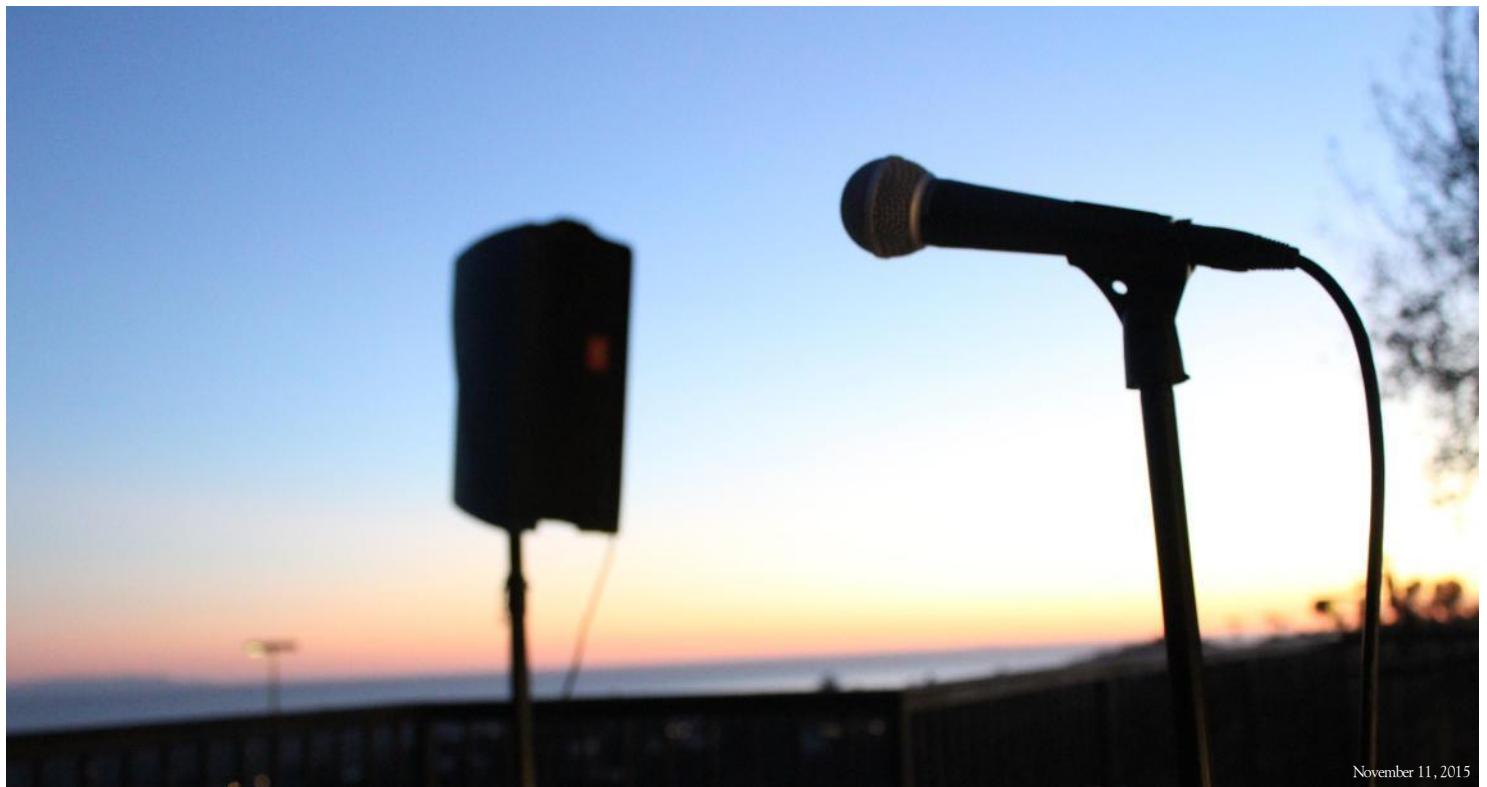
1964- Construction of the new Humanities building made a space for commuters at the time. It is now the Campus Center.

Together for MaxLove Project

Thursday, November 19, 2015 was the day of great fun and cheers for charity. The event was devoted entirely to the Max Foundation. Max was diagnosed with cancer at the age of 4, and 3 months later Audra Wilford initiated the MaxLove Project. After Max's 1 1/2 years of chemotherapy they decided to take over Max's treatments and consulted on what else could be done. Now the MaxLove Project is a nonprofit organization dedicated in providing families fighting childhood cancers with "accessible, practical, and kid-friendly whole-body wellness."

The prizes, generously donated by several clubs, sororities, and offices, were elegantly displayed for guests to see as they passed through the event check in into the campus center. While guests enjoyed Rutts Hawaiian, Aleisa Legita ('19) provided soothing violin music. Dahlia Maldonado and Blanca Duenas thanked and invited everyone to congratulate the services and support

Word of Mouth



November 11, 2015

Open Mic Night

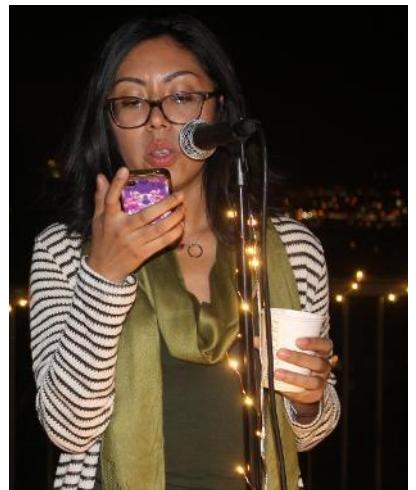
As the semester comes to an end, papers are being assigned back to back, studying for finals roles around, and stress begins to build. The Athenian Print and Student Affairs collaborated on giving students an opportunity to express themselves in any art form. The gorgeous sunset and Lauryn Hill's "Miseducation of Lauryn Hill" album played in the background to set the ambiance for the night on November 11, 2015, right outside of the Campus Center. There was coffee, hot chocolate, tea, churros, and a candy bar offered to guests to enjoy while watching the city lights and listening to inspirational poems.

Cindy Carillo, president of the Athenian Print, opened the night and was the first to perform a poem. Her piece expressed how thankful she is for having such a hard-working mother which brought her to an emotional place that touched the audience. Once she broke the silence and fear, many other students began to take the mic. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to de-stress and express themselves creatively—one mic at a time.

By: Patricia Arias
and Jessica Flores



Hazel Augustin makes the crowd laugh after reciting her touching poem.



1. Tamara Murga recites a poem she wrote on our wandering minds while sitting in L.A. traffic.

2. Amber Bolt sings "Bubbly" by Colbie Caillat which gets the crowd singing along.

Architects of Change



A Conversation with Maria Shriver and Shonda Rhimes

Mount Saint Mary's University hosted an event on Thursday, November 16, that inspired many women—our students, faculty, staff, and outside guests who were first comers to the Mount. Maria Shriver, award-winning journalist, held a talk, which is part of her series "Architects of Change: In Pursuit of the Common Good," with Shonda Rhimes. If you don't know who Shonda Rhimes is, she is the genius who created T.V. hits Grey's Anatomy and Scandal.

Almost everyone in the crowd were women, which was a perfect representation of what the Mount believes is: empowering women to become unstoppable. The conversation touched on how to build self-confidence, women changing the world, and the power of saying "yes" to things that can change your life positively.

"Stop the dreaming, become a doer," Rhimes said when asked about her journey to success. "I've never been successful at something I've never worked hard for." Her advice to women was to believe in yourself because she believes anyone can be anything they want. "The only limit to your success is your own imagination."

Film students, Natalie Resendiz and Estefani Alarcon said they attended because "she portrays powerful women in her shows." Being film majors, Shonda is someone they look up to and wanted to meet.

"There is incredibly powerful and diverse women. It's great to have women inspiring in a place where we're growing and teach women how to be leaders," said Film professor, Dr. Nicole Haggard.

By: Jessica Flores



1964- President Sister Rebecca Doan view on going construction of the new Humanities building.



1964- Members of the Residence Council in caps, gown, and hoods. They are strolling in the open air porch on the first floor of the library. The proch is now the quiet room.



1967- Sister Therese Espinosa, CSJ, directs a quartet of Mount students in a performance at the Doheny Mansion.

Scholar Fair



Expanding our Physical and Brain Power

This year the Scholar Fair was hosted by the Scholar Mentor Club in collaboration with Pangkat Filipino, CNSA, WISH, the French Club, Psychology Club, SGA, ATD, Phi Theta Mu, and many other clubs and organizations. Together they were able to contribute different games and fun facts for everyone who attended the event. The Scholar Fair this year encouraged students to use not only their brain smarts, but also engage in physical activity.

Sports and Wellness got many students to play hula hoops and do ab crunches in order to measure their physical activity intake. Pangkat Club also joined in and played a traditional Filipino game, which involves two large poles being moved by two students and one lucky player has to avoid them by jumping. The day was full of excited students hurrying from one activity to the other. This event even received the award for Most Collaborative Event at the Athenian Awards.

By: Patricia Arias



1. Sue Turjman has an intriguing conversation with Dr. Micah Daily on scholarly issues.

2. Students compete at who can hula hoop the longest.

Etiquette Dinner



November 18, 2015

The Art of Proper Etiquette

On Thursday, November 18, 2015 MSMU hosted their annual Etiquette Dinner. The moon was up high in the sky and the patio lights gracefully lead to the entrance of the Doheny Mansion. As people entered the main hall, up front talking beside the staircase was Etiquette Coach, Jules Hirst. She began with the proper way to present oneself when in a business setting or employment dinner. There is a proper way to shake hands, talk to the right people, and who the right person to pass business cards to is.

Everyone in the room including students and staff stared up at Hirst attentively, taking in all the information. Then, everyone was lead to the ball room where the tables were set up elegantly with utensils, plates, and glassware. When everyone was finally seated the lessons began.

First, there was the explanation of the table set-up, when it comes to a seven course meal the placement of the utensils is from first to last used. Attendees practiced with the first plate given, small tomato accompanied by a cheese ball. The start of every course was a new lesson. The second course was tomato soup. "Sip don't slurp and keep the spoon horizontal to your face" said Hirst. At one point the room became so quiet the instructor laughed and reminded everyone to have fun with this learning experience. In the end, everyone felt enlightened and accomplished. This is beautiful event that Mount Saint Mary's University gets to throw for its students and staff.

By: Stephanie Castillo



1. Rebecca Sandoval experienced a teaching moment as she introduced the different drinking glasses to Aimee Reyes.

2. Etiquette instructor, Jules Hirst, begins her lessons outside the dining area with proper greetings and dress etiquette to formal social events great for networking.



1967- CSJ Mary Gerald Leahy writes a few notes in her lab. She was doing research on the reproductive cycle on malaria-carrying mosquitoes and other insects. Her research is known worldwide.



1970's- Students borrows a copy of the Newsweek magazine. This was taken just after the end of the Mount dress code.



1970- Student nurses in the uniforms of the era leave a clinical site with faculty.

F A L L F A I R

Pumpkin pie, fun games, and cool music

The Mount's annual Fall Fair was held on what possibly might have been the hottest fall day in history! But that didn't stop students from partaking in the biggest event of the semester. The Circle had been decorated with pumpkins, scarecrows, and hay bales; and almost everything was covered in orange and red. Singing duo Honey and Jude were the 2015 Fall Fair's entertainment of choice, as well as a booth set up for free caricatures.

Students swayed along to the beat and laughed at their drawn portraits while munching on delicious cotton candy, pumpkin pie, and churros. The sound of the soothing music and taste of sweet treats allowed everyone to enjoy the day to its fullest even with the heat. Every Fall Fair comes before finals week, and it gives students a sense of hope that things will return to how they were after their dreaded exams.

By: Mya Dunn



1970's- A teacher leads her preschool students through exercises.



1972- Vice President Dr. Eugene V. Petrik and CSJ Margaret Anne Vonderah with parochial school children.



1974- The commencement of the newly built Durdis Building.



November 19, 2016



Nicole Amalemba fights her way to the finish line in the inflatable obstacle course.



Pose for the camera! Students gathered in the pumpkin patch were treated like A-stars with a backdrop for photos.



Student Programming and Commuter Services' Yesenia Martel, Jennifer Kim, Takara Okanaka, and Joselyn Ruiz were ready and excited to give away free churros and cotton candy to students.



November 17, 2015

Lighting of the Circle

Spreading Christmas Cheer

The cold, crisp wind of late November swifited past our necks as we anxiously waited for the lighting of the Circle. The lights simultaneously turned on and you could see the joy in everyone's faces. Everyone lit the celebration with their smiles and at that moment, you knew that Christmas was almost here. Roaming the Circle, through the long line for the sweetest kettle corn popcorn you'd ever have, warm too, you can hear everyone's conversations all turn into one question, "Are you ready for Christmas?" It all felt like a movie scene. You know that scene in Christmas movies where the actor stands in the middle of the street, and closes their eyes to take in the sound of life around them? Well, just imagine it being in the Circle. Everything was so perfect and the tree stood tall covered in ornaments and lights. People were happy and cheerful, but the one thing that really tied this all together was the live caroling that was performed by the choir. With the successful outcome, the lighting of the circle continues to thrive as a Mount tradition.

By: Jessica Flores



Itzel Contreras, Amanda Alvarez, Samantha Perez and Gladys Cerros gather to snap a quick pic of the tree's beauty.



1. Bessie Palacios and Lisa Altuve dressed up as Mr. and Mrs. Santa Clause to help bring joy and cheer to everyone at the event. Many students even took pictures with them.

2. Freshly made Kettle Corn was made at the event and filled the space with the smell of warm sweetness.



1974- CSJ Cecilia Louise Moore poses in front of the newly completed Jose Drudis-Biada arts building and gallery.



1974- The first male graduate of the Mount's nursing program. He served as a medical corpsman during the Vietnam War.



1976- Floats and a parade are part of the festivities making the U.S. Bicentennial Year.



Job & Internship Fair

The Place to Network

Mount students were welcomed into the Campus Center by a myriad amount of employers for the annual Job and Internship Fair that took place on Tuesday, February 23, 2016. The center was filled with many enthusiastic voices ranging from employers in the entertainment business to health, and business. Branded fliers, pens, and goodie bags covered the employers' tables, creating an array of colors.

Employers like Fox Entertainment, Mayor Garcetti's Summer Nights, the Peace Crops and many more were among the large group that came ready to network with students. Dressed in their best business attire, students took this time to hand out their resumes and ask questions about employment, internship opportunities, volunteer services, and more on each of the companies. Liz Charre, Journalism student, was glad to have networked with Univision and the Television Academy. She said, "I found this event to be rewarding because you can directly connect with people...perhaps more than you would via the Internet."

Medical Sociology student Anahi Duenez was glad to sign up to various organizations to volunteer during the Summer. She was able to network with companies that pertained to her major and get information about others that she never thought of connecting with, like The Peace Corps. She said, "these are the events all students should attend. No matter what major you are or what you are pursuing career wise, you won't regret it because you are bound to find someone you never thought of connecting with. I was able to give my contact information and sign up to many places that I did not know about."

Along with Liz and Anahi, a sea of shaking hands, smiles, and resume exchanges filled the Campus Center. Until then, students will continue to prepare for the next round of successful and satisfactory networking events, here at the Mount.

By: Tamara Murga and Isela Retana



1. Angelina Butiu-Coronado eagerly listens about the job opportunities as a psychology major.

2. Sandra Segura takes a second to hear of some meaningful work in childcare.



February 25, 2016

Mount Community Night

Talent in All Mediums



1. Passionate singer Alesia Legita recites a song about her faith.

2. Anais Maseda recites her powerful poem about self-love and suicide awareness.

Mount Community Night on February 25, 2016 was hosted by Women's Leadership and Student Involvement office and brought an evening full of supportive cheers and talent in all mediums. It gave students an opportunity to put down their books for a moment to enjoy themselves. The night kicked off with a red carpet that welcomed a full crowd, hosted by two energized master of ceremonies that smoothly transitioned every performer with some humor and inspirational quotes. Students recited uplifting poems, performed cultural dances, sang songs while playing the piano, and much more. Students, alumni, faculty, staff and family members clapped their hands and shared some laughs throughout the night in support of every performer. Anais Maseda came in first place with her inspirational poem encouraging people to love themselves. Taniamarie Real came in second with her groovy hip-hop moves. Last but not least, the ladies from the Folklorico club took third place.

Congratulations ladies!

By: Jessica Flores
and Tamara Murga



The Folklorico club members show off her amazing dance moves and beautiful dresses during their performance.



1976- Doheny's Women's Leadership.



1976- Yearbook group sitting on the steps of Mary Chapel.



1978- Mount Librarian Erica Condon and Teresa Jacobson.



February 9, 2016

Mardi Gras

Feel the Magique and Mestique Present at The Mount

New Orleans Square in Disneyland is one of the most iconic sights in the park and possibly Southern California, it has a vibe that is completely unique to Disney. Or at least it was until the Mount celebrated Mardi Gras on February 9, 2016. A perfect sunny and warm Los Angeles day encompassed the Circle transforming it from plain to bright and vivacious. The Circle was purple, green and yellow which brought out a distinctly New Orleans feel and helped get everyone in the mood for the festivities. Mardi Gras is a celebration that serves as a prelude to Lent.

Throughout the event music was provided by a New Orleans style jazz band, their sweet notes filled the entire campus and helped to ease the stress of every student who passed by. Mount Student Britney Le-Bayron said, "It's so fantastic! Those guys are the cutest thing ever, I feel like I'm in Disneyland." In addition to the great music provided, there was king cake to enjoy as well as various crafts which added to the merriment and overall feeling of joy. Many students left with uplifted spirits and ready to fulfill the Lent promise.

By: Melia Person



1. Amy Sobejko and Josselyn Varela listened to the music for hours while eating king cake, a traditional Mardi Gras dessert.

2. Julia Vanella gets excited as she participates for the first time.

Ash Wednesday



February 10, 2016



1. After receiving Ashes Jenn Aldous takes a moment to reflect on her Lenten promises.

2. Once the Mass was over students continued to pray to find peace through the lord.

Our Faith Within

Amidst all the events that come along with the Spring semester students take some time from their busy schedules to come and receive their Ashes. As a marking of the start of their new Lenten journey, students begin to reflect on the coming forty days ahead of them. Thinking about what they would like to give up or what they shall do to become better versions of themselves. The mood among the students were both reflective but also light and hopeful. As students started to file in and take their seats it could be seen that a majority of students were taking some time to reflect causing a light energy to buzz around the air that showed the student's excitement of starting a new Lenten

season. The service was led by a fellow Athenian and other members of the student ministry. As the service continued, the main message that came from the readings was that we should return ourselves to God and turn back to Him though at times we find ourselves straying away. It could be seen that many students took that message to heart as they fluttered out of Mary Chapel at the conclusion of the service.

By: Mary Page Diaz



1970's- Folk guitarist plays for one of the masses in the Mount Chapel.



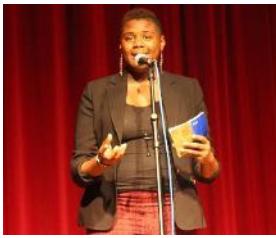
1970 or 80's- CSJ Carol Becker lectures in an organic chemistry class.



1980's- Language Arts professor CSJ Eloise Therese Mescall chats with one of her students by the library.



February 20, 2016



1. Asia McCready passionately sang Tamela Mann's "Take Me To The King."

2. Amber Bradley portraying Angela Davis along with Nicole Amalemba presentation of the Black Panthers.

2. On'Jeton Williams performs a self-written poem accompanied by footage showing daunting images of oppressed Black people. On'Jeton's poem focused on the unconcerned attitude society has of people dying.

AACW Variety Show

The Core of the African American

On February 20, the African American Council of Women enlightened their guests for their third Annual Variety Show and redefined the term Queen from an African American woman's point of view. With a touch of comedy and tears of passion, it is safe to say that the show was once again, an amazing turnout. Guests were welcomed with traditional soul food and portraits of Queens surrounding the campus center: Misty Copeland, Coretta Scott King, and Ava DuVernay, to name a few. Amber Holt initiated the Black National Anthem. The story opened with the two narrators, students Sidney Williams and Cierra Black, who played a mother and daughter. The daughter expressed how confused she was by the term queen and of all the black women historical figures that are not taught in schools. Her mother began to teach her about a few people vital in black history. The performances consisted of songs, student-written poems, a Shirley Chisholm monologue, an African dance, a Black Panthers and Black Lives Matter presentation, and a documentary filmed by a student which all portrayed the core of the African American

woman—all in different forms of art. Alicia Frison, a UCLA student and friend of AACW, performed a self-written speech in the shoes of Shirley Chisholm—the first Black woman elected to the U.S. Senate who represented New York. “From today and for on, as long as we fight, we will be unbought and unbossed,” she said during her speech—raising her hand fearlessly. Among the many performances, one that brought guests to tears was the Black Lives Matter presentation. Sydnei Jones, president of AACW, sang Sam Cooke’s “A Change Is Gonna Come,” projecting a very soft and soothing voice. On’Jeton Williams performed her powerful poem “I Don’t Care If People Die,” along with footage showing daunting images of oppressed Black people. It was emotional to watch, yet refreshing as Sydnei sang the lyrics “It’s been a long time coming but I know a change is gonna come” repeatedly. Sydnei’s guests left the show believing, “Before you can change the world, change yourself.”

By: Jessica Flores



1980- One of the new Mount shuttles was a Volkswagen.



1980's- Portrait of MaryAnn Bonino in the Pompeian Room of the Doheny Mansion for the 10th anniversary of her founding the Da Camera Society.



1984- Cardinal Timothy Manning presides at the dedication of Our Lady of Mercy Chapel on the Doheny campus.



March 7, 2016

Clothesline Project

Empower,
Support, Educate
& Heal

Break the silence and stop the violence, was the powerful message that the Clothesline Project set out to convey to all members of the Mount community. The Clothesline Project was designed to provide much needed empowerment, support, education and a healing tool for survivors of all types of violence. In order to do so, it featured three main components; the t-shirt display, the t-shirt making area and finally educational materials. The t-shirt display, which surrounded the whole Circle, allowed survivors to visually "break the silence" about their personal experiences with violence.

The t-shirt making area allowed survivors to express how their experience has affected their lives, assert their strength and to honor the memory of those whose voices have been silenced by violence. Sophomore business major said, "It was a truly eye opening experience and it was very significant for me to be able to create a t-shirt to remind survivors that they are more than their trauma and are important and valuable." The educational materials served to raise awareness of topics related to violence such as domestic violence, sexual assault, rape, childhood abuse etc.

By: Isela Retana-Torres



1. T-shirts of the survivors of violence in the Circle.

2. Madison Hernandez encouraging Patricia Arias, sophomore, to write down some kind words for victims of sexual assault.

STEM Expo



March 15, 2016

Endless Possibilities at Your Fingertips

Tuesday, March 15, 2016 was the 3rd Annual STEM Expo located in the Campus Center. Each year STEM puts together this program to establish a foundation in networking with graduate schools and volunteer programs. The members of STEM coordinated and orientated the students around the Campus Center and the different tables. The program also handed out ecological tote bags to all the students as they arrived. The bags came in handy as the student walked around asking questions and collecting informational handouts. The exposition was open to the whole school including students in the nursing program, science, math, and even sociology students. There were medical schools, graduate schools, and volunteer opportunities at the event. The guest schools were UCSB grad division, USC Keck Medicine, Western University, UCSD grad division, UCLA Chemistry/Biology Dept, Kaiser Permanente, Children's Hospital, Cedars Sinai, NASA and many more that the students were able to explore.

By: Stephanie Castillo

Arlene Valdes, current pre-nursing freshman, was in search for volunteer opportunities through the Red Cross and other programs.



Janae Jones and Crystabel Munoz (B.S. Biochemistry, both) both enjoyed conversing and learning about the countless opportunities in medical school from a representative from USC.



1990's- A Mount student reads the latest campus news from Chalon and Doheny.



1990- CSJ Thomas Bernard McConnell distributed candy to trick-or-treaters from the Doheny Mansion. This is the beginning of the Mount's Halloween tradition.



1990- Mount students explore domestic violence issues at the annual Clothesline Project. This tradition began in observance of National Observance.

CSJ Appreciation



Bringing Our Sisters Together

Starting on March 13, 2016 the Mount celebrated its founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet (CSJ), with a week-long commemoration. On the first day there was a liturgy and an Open House at the Carondelet Center, on the Chalon Campus. It was followed by an honor Mass on March 15, 2016 at Mercy Chapel at the Doheny Campus. Service was given by Father O'Brien. CSJ Appreciation Day comes officially on March 16, 2016 and was celebrated with a reception in the Chalon Campus Center. Members of MSMU's Campus Ministry greeted our sisters with smiles from ear to ear. The celebration featured an exhibit showcasing the scholarship of Sr. Mary Gerald Leahy, a microbiologist whose studies in the 1960s and 1970s directly affect current research into mosquitoes carrying the Zika virus.

The festivities closed with a bread blessing honoring St. Joseph and the Sisters of St. Joseph's food programs, and a CSJ Jubilee Mass celebrating the combined 385 years of service by six CSJs. The sisters were given flower bouquets, a special award and leid with flower necklaces. Individually, Srs. Sandra Williams '70 and Judy Molosky celebrated fifty years, Sr. Joan Henechan '63 celebrated sixty years, Srs. Cecile Therese Beresford and Regina Clare Salazar celebrated seventy-five years, and Sr. Mary Constance Fitzgerald celebrated eighty-five years of service.

By: Patricia Arias



1. Michella Msaed, Dahlia Maldonado, and Jessica Farrell welcome our sisters into the Chalon Campus Center where they were celebrated and were gifted flowers.

2. President Ann McElaney-Johnson gifts 102 year old Mary Constance Fitzgerald for her 82 years of service as a CSJ.

Report on the Status



1. Los Angeles mayor Eric Garcetti discussed women focused policy initiatives with students.

2. Maria Echaveste spoke passionately about women who have more than one role: leaders and mothers.

of Women and Girls

Taking Action to Make A Change

On March 30, 2016 Mount Saint Mary's University announced their fifth annual Report on the Status of Women and Girls in California at the Skirball Cultural Center. The crowd was filled with one thousand different faces awaiting the report and speeches to be followed. Before the report was announced by President Ann McElaney-Johnson, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti was the first to present his speech. His speech focused on the progression Los Angeles has had as far as women in office. Also, he emphasized the importance of starting where you are to make change and not always depending on people with big titles for help.

The following speeches were presented by Nancy Kirschner-Rodriguez, Maria Echaveste, and Dr. Musimbi Kanyoro. Nancy Kirschner advised that we reach out to organizations of our interest to get involved and make change in our communities. Maria Echaveste said, "Government cannot do it all and we should not expect it to, but we should be willing to confront that women carry forward the human race. We have so much to give our society and our country and the world."

Last but not least, Dr. Musimbi Kanyoro expressed how privileged U.S. citizens are with the many different educational resources in comparison to other countries. She encouraged the crowd to "organize and use your constitutional rights." Although the statistics presented were shocking, the main message visitors were left with was to take action to see change in our world. Athenians, how will you take action?

By: Jessica Flores

March 30, 2016

Left to right: Mary Melton, Dr. Musimbi Kanyoro, President Ann McElaney-Johnson, Maria Echaveste and Nancy Kirschner-Rodriguez. Mary Melton, editor-in-chief of L.A. Magazine, conducted a Q&A with the speakers.



1991 - Students check in with their advisers.



1992 or 93' - Christine Johncoli and Tina Goldman confer on the sloping lawns in front of Mary's Chapel after the opening of the Weekend College at Chalon.



Mid 90's- Doheny students and CSJ Kathleen Kelly, who was Campus Director, posed on the steps of the Doheny Mansion with mothers and grandmothers after the annual Mother-Daughter Tea.



April 2, 2016



Audrey Soriano and another volunteer pose before beginning with food packaging and assortment at the Los Angeles Food Bank.



Students prepare food in meal packets for the homeless in support of Stop Hunger Now.



Christina Ivania and other volunteers work as a team to sort clothing and other donation items.



President Ann McElaney-Johnson is helping alongside other volunteers at the Downtown Women's Center.



1994- CSJ Aline Marie Gerber, CSJ Regina Clare Salazar, and President of the Cuban-American Teachers Association Cuban Dr. Alberto C. del Calvo get together and have a fun night out.



1995- Students celebrate their victory in the Chalon Pool on Athenian Day.



1995- Relay races in the swimming pool are an annual feature of Athenian Day on the Chalon campus.

President's Invitation to Serve

The Mount Gives Back to Their Communities

The 11th Annual President's Invitation to Serve welcomed hundreds of students, alumnae, faculty, staff, administrators and friends of the University on Saturday, April 2nd to go out into the community to serve the dear neighbor. President's Day to Serve is the one day dedicated to be selfless and give back to people in need. Chalon students had an early start to their day, waking up early to catch a 7:30 a.m. shuttle to the Doheny campus. The check-in process went smoothly with each site being staffed by Student Ambassadors working in partnership with the Community Engagement office. The Donohue Center hummed with the sound of chatter and laughter from volunteers as they filled their tummy with nibbles of fruit, pastries, water and coffee.

Setting the tone for the day, President Ann McElaney-Johnson reminded everyone of the history and importance of carrying out the legacy of our founders the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet in providing service to our community. Volunteers boarded shuttles to the service locations and the hard work began! Beautification projects occurred at Alexandria House, a transitional residence for single women and women with children; Franklin D. Lanterman High School, a public special education high school and Heal the Bay, an effort to keep our coastal waters clean and safe, volunteers worked to keep MSMU's adopted portion of the Santa Monica beach clean. Sorting and packing was the service provided to Downtown Women's Center, an organization dedicated to helping women overcome homelessness and

poverty; St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic volunteer organization that serve the needy and the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank which distributes food to over 1,000 agencies, the team sorted and packed food for distribution to needy families throughout Los Angeles.

One student volunteer Marianna Herrera enthusiastically describes her experience. "Service starts the moment you sign up. The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. President's Invitation to Serve is an event like no other and the one event I always look forward to every year." Marianna has been a part of President's Invitation to Serve for three years now and finds it a rewarding experience. "Although I have been serving the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank every year, I get a different experience every time. It definitely pays off and is such a rewarding experience when the service leaders let you know that your team actually went over the assigned number of food packets by 600+! In total, we were able to organize 3,647 bags!" said Herrera. She feels the experience is gratifying in giving back to someone in need. She gets to have the opportunity to experience this day with residents of Magnificat House. Marianna said, "at the same time that we are volunteering, we have an amazing time bonding with each other, as well as meeting other fellow students and faculty." If you have been part of the Mount community, this is truly a tradition to take part in.

By: Faraah Mullings, Ed.D



The volunteer team for the Heal the Bay location labored in the sun to keep the watershed clean and safe by the Santa Monica pier.



April 6, 2016

Cultural Festival

A Melting Pot of Friendships

Despite the fact that it is all of our different cultures that make up the melting pot of America, on the news we are constantly bombarded with stories of people being persecuted for their beliefs and cultural traditions. However, at the Mount we see celebrating culture as hugely important, in her opening remarks our President Dr. Ann McElaney Johnson said, "What makes us unique is our dedication to diversity." The Cultural Festival was set up in conjunction with the Academic Symposium in the Circle and featured many different stalls with food, books, games and information about various cultures to help open the minds of Mount students and visitors about the differences among cultures. Before the talent show portion of the day began, Dr. Ann McElaney Johnson was surprised with a small birthday celebration which prompted the entire crowd to burst into song. She was presented with a traditional Korean rice cake as students sang

Happy Birthday. After giving the President a proper celebration, the festivities truly began. Numerous acts from various cultures took the stage and showcased everything from animated dances to brightly colored traditional dresses. Even the foreign exchange students from China got involved in the merriment and performed a routine that involved three different aspects of traditional Chinese culture; dance, martial arts and calligraphy. Of course there were various Mount community members daring enough to showcase their vocal talent. The songs ranged from a traditional Mexican love songs to the Black national anthem. As incredible as all the vocalists were no one was quite as show stopping as the 1st place winner of the competition Ja'rya Mack, who sang *His Eye is on the Sparrow*. From the first note of her performance everyone in attendance was feeling the chills.

By: Melia Person



1. Ballet Folklorico kicks off the culture contest with one of their traditional dances.

2. Aimee Hernandez, President of Sakura Society, and peers swoon students with their yukatas and Japanese games.

3. Ja'rya Mack wins first place with her beautiful voice and performance as she sang *His Eye is on the Sparrow*.

4. Chinese exchange students performed a traditional dance as well as martial arts, and calligraphy.

5. Very energetic Gaby Ybiernas dances to Zumba and amazes the judges.

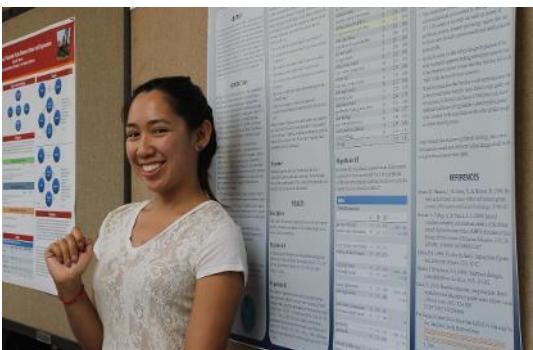
Academic Symposium

Show and Tell

Students of all majors were given the opportunity to present their research on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at the Academic Symposium. Research presentations varied in topics from investigative research on homelessness in Los Angeles to the ability of wild-type and mutant p53 to bind to DNA. "It was rewarding to see it all come together after working on it all year with my fellow colleagues," Tamara Murga, a student who presented her senior honors capstone project. "I learned how to help students get involved in their communities and also get rid of the stigmas that come along with homelessness." Professors of all departments were also in attendance to support their fellow students. It was an amazing opportunity for students to learn from their colleagues on topics completely different than their major.

The experience was also fulfilling for the presenters as some had the opportunity to present in front of an audience for the first time. It was a challenge and an adventure as many faced their fear of speech presentation. "The passion and excitement for my work trumped my nerves; it's an amazing feeling to see your peers interested in your topic, and it was rewarding to see the spark of curiosity for them to conduct their own research" said Angelica Butiu-Coronado. With their enthusiasm the presenters encouraged many freshmen and sophomores to consider creating or joining a research group.

By: Jessica Flores



2000- CSJ Teresita Espinosa, music department chair, conducts chorus of sisters and Mount students at a celebration at Carondelet.



2000-2011-Jacqueline Powers Doud, Ph.D., eleventh and first lay president of Mount St. Mary's College.



2000- Dr. Doud with her husband and Auxiliary Bishop Gabino Zavala.



April 7, 2016

Spring Carnival

Welcoming Spring the Right Way

With Coachella right around the corner, the Mount wanted to bring the celebration onto campus with our take, Mountchella. Colorful lanterns, loud music, and bubble machines welcomed the students to an afternoon of carnival like fun.

The school sets these events up for students as a de-stresser prior to the soon-to-come finals week. Athenians engaged in fun activities like photo booths, flower crown making, dunk tanks, jumpers, and indulged into all kinds of carnival snacks.

Freshman student, Elizabeth Hall, was very appreciative of the event and took part in all the attractions. Her favorite part was scoring a dunk on the dunk tank. She said, "I think it's great that they put all this together for students. It helps break up the stress that comes along during this time of the semester."

By: Tamara Murga and
Patricia Arias



1. Natalie Resendiz and Crystal Balboa enjoying the free carnival lunch.

2. Jessica Acosta takes a plunge in the dunk tank.

3. Students enjoy some fun under the bubble machine.

4. Arnold Maningo, Robert Godoy, and Richmond Vinluan enjoy some of the freebies available in at the carnival.





April 12, 2016

Admitted Student's Continuing the Athenian Legacy

Hosted by MSMU's Admissions office, Admitted Students' Day has almost become a rite of passage when entering the Mount community. On April 12, 2016 incoming students got a taste of what the Mount community is like. It is the first opportunity students get to see the true beauty and genuine hospitality of the school. As new students and parents begin trekking up the hill they are welcomed by a spread of clubs and offices ready to greet them. This year we even surprised everyone with a special visit from Athena herself! MSMU CNSA also joined in the festivities and helped welcome everyone in. They offered tours and even had a boba sale.

By: Patricia Arias



Irene Enerio from MSMU's CNSA advertises her boba sale during Admitted Students Day.



Eric Vincent, Irene Enerio, Kirsten Puga, Hla Hla Thwe, Katherine Elizabeth, Rochelle Ko, Dahlia Maldonado and Joshua Besa DeGuzman, volunteering for Admitted Student's Day.



2001- Professor and provost Eleanor Siebert was a winner of the Outstanding Undergraduate Science Teaching Award by the Society for College Science Teachers and the Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company.



2003- Choral conductor and MSMC alums Paul Salamunovich rehearses with mount choir in Hannon Parlor.



2005- CSJ Daniel Therese Flynn chats with a new Associates of Arts graduate on the Doheny campus.



April 13, 2016

Athenian Awards

Excellence in the Making

On April 13, 2016 Women's Leadership and Student Involvement hosted the Athenian Awards in the Campus Center at Chalon. This year Mount Saint Mary's awarded 260 students, faculty and staff for their honorable contributions to different organizations, clubs and programs here at the Mount. President Ann McElaney-Johnson started off the ceremony and was followed by outgoing Student Government Association (SGA) President Blanca Duenas, who

delivered the invocation and inducted the 2016-2017 SGA board, chaired by incoming president Melanie Sava. Awards included Emerging, Outstanding, and Exemplary leader awards. Inter-Club Council awards, and Staff and Faculty awards. This year was also special because it marked the 22nd year of the Athenian awards and the 40th year of the founding of the Mount's Women's Leadership Program.

By: Patricia Arias



Congratulations to both our Doheny and Chalon RA/HRA staff.



2005- CSJ Teresita Espinosa received a hug from the Easter bunny.



2005- CSJ Aline Marie Gerber enjoyed the Halloween festivities on the Doheny campus.



2006- CSJ Teresita Espinosa, chair of the music department, and professor Chet Swiatkowski teaching students the appreciation of music.

Emerging Leaders:

Alexandria Moreno
 Anika Ahsan
 Bessie Palacios
 Chris Lorenzo
 Gabriela Ballesteros
 Isabel Nunez
 Janae Jones
 Jocelyn Velasquez
 Laura Nario
 Lesley Jimenez
 Lisa Altuve
 Lolita Lopez
 Meghan Mai
 Neda Bravo-Leal
 Nicole Tunque
 Rachel Ocampo
 Sabrina Orellana
 Savannah Sanchez
 Jesus Aguilar
 Aileen Fernandez

Outstanding Leaders:

Adriana Garcia
 Adriana Ramirez
 Andrea Sierra
 Audrey Soriano
 Cristina Gallego
 Christina Guerrero
 Destanee Guevara
 Georgiana Hita
 Joelle Balthazar
 Juliette Jauregui
 Katrina Tayo
 Kriztel Agpoon
 Krystina Guerrero
 Lauren Lomeli
 Liliana Rojas
 Lindsey Ventura

Lizbeth Galvez
 Marycruz Solares
 Melanie Sava
 Monique Bracamonte
 Nelly Guzman
 Rebecca Hernandez
 Rebekah Morgan
 Rebecca Sandoval
 Sydnei Jones
 Vanessa Gonzalez
 Yaritza Villa
 Destiny Suarez
 Irene Enerio
 Katherine Park
 Kelsey Horrigan

Exemplary Leader:

Aimee Reyes	Deisy Corral	Liliana Resendez
Amanda Bituin	Diana Hernandez	Marisol Delgado
Amber Rodriguez	Erica Cisneros	Melissa Juan
Andrea Castaneda	Haley Williams	Melissa Sanchez
Barbara Escobar	Harmoni Morales	Mitzuky Orellana
Blanca Duenas	Hellen Alvarez	Priscilla Close
Blean Girma	Ingrid Cruz	Raven Vinluan
Christine Plascencia	Ivette Aleman	Rebeka Garcia
Cristina Lopez	Jasmine Scales	Sidney Williams
Cynthia Sanchez	Jessica Acosta	Veronica Ochoa
Dahlia Maldonado	Jocelyn Aguirre	Yessenia Diaz

Organization of the Year:

Student Government Association

Most Collaborative Event:

Scholar Mentor Fair hosted by the Scholar Mentor Club in collaboration with Pangkat Filipino, CNSA, WISH, the French Club, psychology club, SGA, ATD, Phi Theta Mu, and many more

Most Creative Publicity:

California Nursing Association

Most Original Program:

Noche Mexicana- Ballet Folklorico Club

Faculty of the Year:

Lance Skidmore- Department Chair,
 Mathematics

Staff of the Year:

Haig Papelian-Electrician, Facilities Management



Staff and faculty of the year posing for a picture.



August 26, 2015

Residents

Living the Dorm Life

Going to college in general is stressful, but it's made a lot less stressful when you have a group of friends to help support you through the process. Living in the dorms allows you to do that. Living in such close quarters gives residents a chance to develop an extremely close bond with each other. As a resident you eat almost every meal together, watch TV together, spend nights out on the town together and of course study into the early hours of the morning together. No matter which hall you live in, residents all grow together as a community. Suffering through late night fire drills in the cold all for the hope of pizza and being disappointed when there is none we accept it and at least notice that we did it together.

By: Melia Person



1. Chalon resident stops by Brady 1st lounge to make her own natural body scrub with Community Programmer Erika Young.

2. Friends and Resident Assistants Maricarmen Alvarez and Ilse Medina showing off some care packages that they made to help those who are in the service.

3. Yaritza Villa does a craft at an Athenian Cafe event. Athenian residents get to know each other and do interesting things that are usually culturally themed.

4. Community programmers Allison Mayol, Erika Young, and Melissa Medina are excited to welcome residents at the Chalon coffee bar area with bowls of cereal and good times.

5. Residents Julia Vanella, Aimee Hernandez and Sierra Siebert enjoy a day out at Disneyland. Even though school is stressful, it's nice to enjoy a day out with close friends.



August 26, 2015



1. Tanesha Ngo enjoys making a DIY lip scrub thanks to special events such as Commuter Socials.

2. A commuter student stops by one of the Commuter events hosted throughout the year to grab a snack.

3. Creating new friendships, Cierra Black and Emily Ariri are entertained while at our Commuter Retreat.



2006- CSJ Teresita Espinosa with professor Swiatkowski as they teach the appreciation of music to students in the church at St. Sebastian School.



2009- Dulce Maria Martinez was a math teacher in Cuba and was one of the first refugees to participate in the federally funded Cuban Teacher Training Institute on the Doheny campus in 1965.



2010- President Jacqueline Powers Doud, Sonia Nazario, and Board of Trustees Chair Michael A. Enright are photographed in the Gibson Amphitheater.

Commuters

The Hardest Working Mount Students

Commuters are constantly burning the proverbial candle at both ends. They have to deal with difficult classes, unforgiving work schedules, insane traffic and trying to have some type of social life all without naps in between. Commuters have ridiculously long days and still have to go home and study. Luckily Student Programming and Commuter Services comes in with the save. Throughout the year they held numerous events to help ease commuter's frustration. They give commuters a space to talk, relax, get to know each other, talk about their problems and successes, and most importantly be a part of a very special community of Mount students.

By: Melia Person



April 16, 2016

Luau

Gods and Goddesses

In this year's annual Luau, Na Pua O Ka 'Aina(NPOKA) showcased a variety of the Gods and Goddesses from the Polynesian culture. Each dance told it's own story, which the students portrayed in the movements of each dance. With such a rich culture and history of the Polynesian ancestors who came before us, NPOKA was able to put on a show that would have pleased the Gods themselves. There were even specific Gods and Goddesses that were represented through the elements of the Earth. Brianna Martin, NPOKA Vice President, Senior and four time Luau dancer find herself slightly emotional being at her last Luau. "I've done Luau since I was a freshman and even though it takes a lot of work I'm always glad that I dance every year." It could be seen that both Brianna and fellow seniors were feeling a little emotional as the show finished off with the senior dance. Parents and friends of the seniors were able to come up to the stage and lei the seniors. As the show came to an end the room was filled an overwhelming sense of happiness. As always it was another amazing show.

By: Mary Page Diaz



1. Allisun Wang, Hla Thwe, Rochelle Ko and Eric Vincent show their support and excitement to see the Luau show.



2. Abby Villar is sensual and in connection with her body as she performs one of the many dances of the show.



2012- President Ann McElaney-Johnson.



2012- Provost Eleanor Hebert leads the Academic Procession at the inauguration of Ann McElaney-Johnson.



2012- Eleanor Hebert with the Color Guard of the Academic Procession at the inauguration.

PACN

Ate Ko (My Sister)

There was a buzzing of electricity and excitement in the air at Pangkat Pilipino's 20th annual Pilipino-American Cultural Night. This year's show, centered around the love story of a poor fisherman and a rich girl that flourish as they spend time together in a small fishing village. Through their personal struggles they get married and grow together as a couple and raise their two daughters. The audience grew to love the Salazar family in the short time we got to know them. As they continued to make a better life for themselves, they decide to move to America. Although through tragic circumstances their mother dies, the audience got to see how the family lives their life in America after the loss of their mother and wife.

The first dance of the night displayed the love and courtship of the fishermen and women of the market. That's where our lovers, Peter and Kristen Salazar, in the story first met and immediately fell in love despite their social differences. The dance routines throughout the performance portrayed significant scenes in the story that gave the audience the feel of emotions from each character. The most highlighted dances were the marriage, the battle with death,

By: Mary Page Diaz



April 16, 2016



1. Antoinelle Lauron led her hawks in pursuit of the chickens in Binaylan, which is part of a traditional Filipino dance.



2. Grant Vito shows his power as he begins to fight with the other warriors in Escrima, which is traditional Filipino martial arts.

Sports

Athletes at the Mount

The Athenians were back at it again with the athleticism this year. For intramural sports MSMU's Men's basketball team played at UCLA during the spring semester. They played 5 games with a record of 3 wins, 1 tie, and 1 loss. They were able to advance to the playoffs. A new team this year was MSMU's flag football team, which also played at UCLA, but this time during the fall semester. The team was co-ed and had 6 women players and 5 men players. They played a total of 4 games.

For sports club teams we had the Women's Volleyball Club and Women's Soccer Club. The Women's Volleyball Club played in the spring and played their final game against CSU Northridge. Volleyball coach Nicholas Costello says, " I was a proud to coach a great group of women even though my time spent with them was short. The team

showed no fear in playing against club teams from schools such as USC, SDSU, UCSB, UCLA, etc. Next year will be an exciting year when we welcome new players and improve on what the team started this past season."

MSMU's Women's soccer team also had a few highlights this year. Team member Brianna Cadena had a few words to say about her team, "playing on the MSMU Women's soccer team has been an amazing experience. As an individual the Mount Saint Mary's soccer team taught me what it means to truly work collaboratively with others to reach a common goal. As a team we have enjoyed representing our university and traveling to compete against other universities.

By: Patricia Arias



1. Women's Volleyball Club- Alicia Tejada, Amanda Amezqua, Angel Iwuoma, Beverly Flores, Brett Hellinger, Christina Hamilton, Meryll Pena, Stephany Rodriguez, Tanya Morales, Teresa Campos-Pelayo, Ellisha Davis, Maciel Argueta, Deisy Corral.

3. Men's Basketball team-Garrett Vito, Bernardo Carmona, Grant Magallanez, Grant Vito, Jacob Lahorra, Jesus Aguilar, Lorenz de Leon, Patrick Rodriguez, Raven Vinluan

2. Women's Soccer Club- Top Row: Celeste Juarez, Giovanna Lopez, Ashley Sandoval, Kelsey Horrigan, Jasmine Vargas, Karina Cruz, Joanna Tejeda, Erica Mosley Bottom Row: Jocelyn Velasquez, Brianna Cadena, Cristina Garcia, Jacqueline Montes-Cerna, Shelly Macias

4. MSMU's Co-ed Flag Football team- Arc Angel Ferrer, Ferdinand Malinao, Isaias Cervantes, Jamie Esteybar, Ja'Rya Mack, Jerald Del Pilar, Julianne Burg, Maleika Faiver, Megan Gomez, Regina Averion, Richmond Vinluan



2015- MSMU wins the state-wide California Moot Court Classic with Karla Ballesteros and Melanie Sava, the freshman team, advanced to the last round and won.

2015- During Spring semester Chinese instructor Jing Zhang served as a MSMC visiting scholar.

2015- LA Writers Conference welcomed new professional, Nikki Giovanni, to the Doheny campus.





April 21, 2016

Laurel Day

A Recognized Journey

High grade point average, most involved, rising leaders were all subjects that were recognized on Laurel Day. On April 21, 2016, as the light from the sun began to set upon the glowing faces of the students, they all made their way into the Rose Hills Auditorium at Doheny. At the beginning of the ceremony President Ann McElaney-Johnson made the opening speech. The microphone was then passed on to the separate departments and dean to award all the different recipients. Along with the students were several parents present to celebrate the success of their son or daughter.

One of the highlights of the night was the acknowledgment of Sister Carol Brong who will be transitioning from Doheny into her new position as Land Management at Chalon. Veronica Martinez, Mount alumnae for both undergraduate and graduate school as well current Mount employee, gave the closing speech for the event. With a big smile and warm thoughts she inspired the audience and at the end she congratulated the students, professors, and faculty for impacting the students lives everyday.

By: Stephanie Castillo



1. Sister Carol Brong was congratulated by Dr. Pam Gist for her support and dedication to the Doheny campus as Assistant to the Dean.

2. Veronica Martinez, gave the closing speech for the event. She placed big smiles of pride in all the graduating girls and other honorees.

3. Kimberly Terrill presented Amanda Gutierrez with the Community Service award for her active role in community service and in the creation of her program for cops and youth.



Mary's Day



Honoring Mary and Our Students

Under perfect California weather, students gathered on Saturday, April 23, 2016 for Mary's Day, one of the biggest events at the university. President Anne Mc Elaney-Johnson and Vice-President for Student Affairs, Dr. Jane Lingua, along with department professors awarded students of all academic backgrounds for their outstanding academic achievements and impressive student involvement.

Students received awards such as President's Award, Honors Program, Department Awards, and Women's Leadership and Student Involvement Awards. These prestigious awards were presented in the form of stoles, ribbons, medals, and certificates. With many camera flashes and family applause, students walked to the stage and received their awards with humbling smiles.

To end the ceremony, everyone was invited to leave flowers by the statue of Mary and enjoy the rest of the sunny afternoon with treats.

By: Tamara Murga and
Jessica Flores



1. Nursing student Eric Cabahug happy to receive his award.



2. Students awarded with the President's Award line-up before crowning the statue of Mary.



4. Kimberly Quizton happy to have earned her Senior Honors stole.



2015- Mount received a five year grant from the U.S. Department of Education to expand the graduate program.



2015- The Athenian Women's Volleyball team participated in local tournaments.



2015- The Mount was named number ten on the list of Top 40 Best U.S. Women Colleges.



April 15, 2015

Bravo Banquet

Departing the ISAE Train

On Friday, April 15, 2016 the Institute for Student Academic Enrichment (ISAE), a Federal TRIO Title V grant program, hosted the last gathering of ISAE students. As the students arrived to the Doheny Mansion they were greeted by the captivating performance of Aztec dancers which lead them into the mansion. This year the dinner was more special because the students were able to bring their loved ones to accompany them during this celebration of culmination. Everyone was able to enjoy catering from Bon Appetit, while listening to guest speaker and Civil Engineer Avygail Sanchez (MSMU Alumnae).

The first award was presented to Professor Cesario by Amber Rodriguez. The following students were awarded for their academic achievement, service to others and quality of character: Brenda Valenzuela (Academic Excellence), Madison Hernandez (Perseverance Award), Amber Rodriguez (Inspirational Excellence Award), Priscilla Close (Fleur Delis Award), and Amber Rodriguez (Inspirational Excellence Award).

By: Stephanie Castillo



Professor Cesario was presented the Faculty of the Year Award by Amber Rodriguez.



1. Maria Morales, an alumni from Mount Saint Mary's University, served as the entertainment of the banquet, performing a tradition Aztec dance. Her performance was amazing and uplifting. As they danced they lead the students to the inside of the mansion into the main hall.

2. Avygail Sanchez, civil engineer, was the lead speaker. She provided motivation and life lessons for the future.



April 20, 2015



1. Ligia Morales, BA Business Accounting, was one of the graduating seniors recognized at the dinner.

2. Professor AnneMarie Cesario gave the opening speech to empower and pass on a word of knowledge to the seniors.

1. Jessica Farrel, Harmoni Morales, Liliana Rosales, Jocelyn Rodriguez, and Nancy Morales pose during the dinner showing their joy for their near culmination.

2. Doreen Camacho, Sociology major, walked to the stage with a leaf crown to receive her recognition as outstanding senior.

Senior Farewell Dinner

Au revoir Class of 2016

As graduation approaches, the senior class partakes in an annual traditional farewell at the Mount: dinner and an inspirational speech given by a nominated faculty member. Sociology professor AnneMarie Cesario presented a genuine and inspirational speech that left many seniors in tears. She mentioned that because she commenced working at the Mount in 2012, the class of 2016 was extremely special to her. Professor Cesario said to the class that, "[w]hat you did or what you said isn't what matters, it's what you stirred in others is what will be remembered. Love hard, love without judgment and without expectations." The night concluded with an abundance of cheers, hugs, and most of all pride in the completion of a successful four years of college.

By: Jessica Flores and Tamara Murga

Commencement Mass



1. Raven Vinluan recites one of the readings from the ceremony.

2. Mitzuky Orellana looks up at the Bishop as she holds her candle serving as the light of the Holy Spirit to guide her towards a successful future.

3. Geraldine Bellue takes a moment to pray after receiving the body and blood of Christ.



1. Archbishop Jose H. Gomez officiated the Mass for the Class of 2016. He is receiving the offerings of the church from two Mount Saint Mary's University students.

2. Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet is receiving the blood of Jesus Christ during the Communion.

3. Jessica Esmerala Lopez, Adriana Carmona, and Cindy Carrillo pose before forming line to head to the Commencement Mass.

4. Chinako Belanger assisting MSMU graduates as they line up to receive their blessings.

Blessing New Paths Towards Success

Waking up to the sound of alarms set up the night before, students from the Class of 2016 prepared to take on the day. Everyone had to be present at the Rose Hills Auditorium to prepare for Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church early in the morning on Monday, May 9, 2016. Students and their respective families were greeted with a beautiful crisp and sunny morning. The students gathered at the Rose Hills Auditorium at 8:00 a.m. to get in formation for Mass. Dahlia Maldonado was at the head of the line and had the honor of holding the cross which led everyone towards the church. The procession began at 9:15 a.m. and was officiated by Archbishop Jose H. Gomez.

The Class of 2016 walked into the church with elegance and grace holding the prayer book and an unlit candle. Smiles were an accessory no one left home without. Family members and students decorated the room with their warm and loving smiles. After everyone was seated, President Ann McElaney-Johnson gave the welcome and Au revoir for the Class of 2016.

During the Eucharist portion of the Mass confirmed students and their parents were able to walk together in the bringing of the body and blood of Christ. Towards the end the choir sang the Sending song, Go Light Your World, and gave special recognition to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. The sisters then stood up and lit the candles of the students. Finally, the father gave a final blessing and Dahlia Maldonado held up the cross once again and led everyone out of the church. Students were smiling from ear to ear and cheering with excitement as they hugged their friends and families. The excitement carried itself all the way to the commencement ceremony which symbolizes the official completion of the undergraduate/masters program of Mount Saint Mary's University.

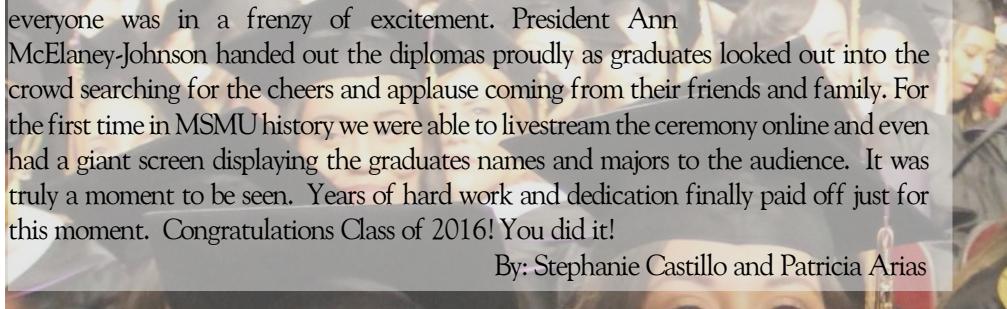
With their candles lit, MSMU graduates exited the church and went on their way to light new paths in their lives.

By: Stephanie Castillo and
Patricia Arias

Commencement Ceremony Achieving the Impossible

May 9, 2016 was the big and long awaited day for both undergraduate and masters program students here at Mount Saint Mary's University. Students and families gathered at the Shrine Auditorium near the Doheny campus to celebrate the culmination of the completion of a major milestone- college graduation for the Class of 2016. The families awaited eagerly outside hoping for the best seats to see their special graduate walk the stage. The same nerves and anxiety were also felt by the graduates as they waited on the opposite side to be seated. The doors to enter the room finally opened for the families and they did not fail to walk in cheering and blaring horns for their graduates. This year's keynote speaker was Dr. Lucy Jones, a renowned seismologist and quake expert. Her speech left everyone in the room thinking about the kind of person they want to be after graduation and even had some students shed a tear. The time to receive their diplomas finally came and everyone was in a frenzy of excitement. President Ann McElaney-Johnson handed out the diplomas proudly as graduates looked out into the crowd searching for the cheers and applause coming from their friends and family. For the first time in MSMU history we were able to livestream the ceremony online and even had a giant screen displaying the graduates names and majors to the audience. It was truly a moment to be seen. Years of hard work and dedication finally paid off just for this moment. Congratulations Class of 2016! You did it!

By: Stephanie Castillo and Patricia Arias



1. Rochelle B. Ko was elated to receive her diploma. She made sure to raise it up proudly.

2. Jaimie Huang raises her hands up high in gratification after receiving her Bachelors of Science in Nursing.

3. Tamara Murga walks the stage with a smile from ear to ear after receiving her Bachelors of Arts in Journalism, and New Media with honors.

4. Lynne Conner received her Bachelor of Arts in Film, Media and Social Justice. Her excitement beamed as she walked across the stage.

5. Nikkole Galvin received her Bachelors of Arts in Business and happily walked the stage to receive her diploma from President Anne McElaney-Johnson.

6. Angelica Melendez and Pia Cartagena began studying at the Mount together and now they ended their journey together.

7. The commencement speaker this year was quake expert and seismologist, Dr. Lucy Jones. She gave an empowering speech about the importance of helping the community given their new titles.

8. Jarren Bernadino was grinning with happiness as he officially shakes the presidents hand symbolizing the true moment of accomplishment his four years at the Mount.

9. Alycia Cisneros radiates happiness and joy as she walks down the stage on her way to receive her diploma. Work those heels girl!

10. Alex Jason, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, displays his pride of graduating towards his family and the Class of 2016.

11. Christy S. Hernandez receives her Bachelors of Arts in Physiology and flashes her family and friends a big bright smile.

12. Bathsheba Zewde was the Baccalaureate greeter for the class of 2016. She gave a powerful speech on the power that each and every student has within themselves.

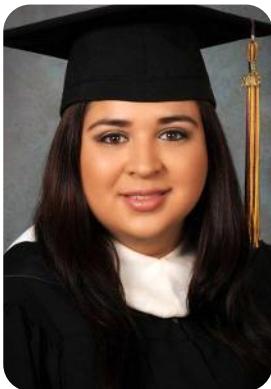




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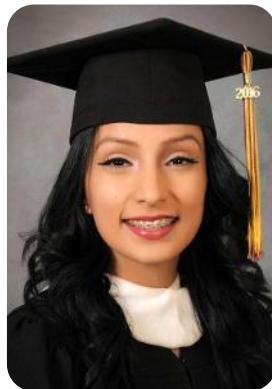
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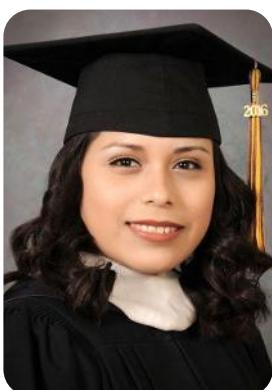
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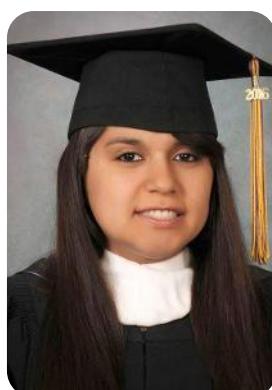
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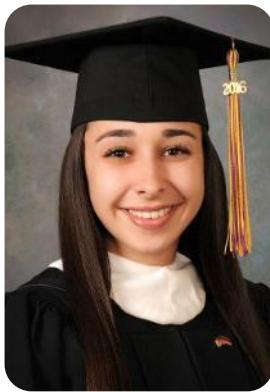
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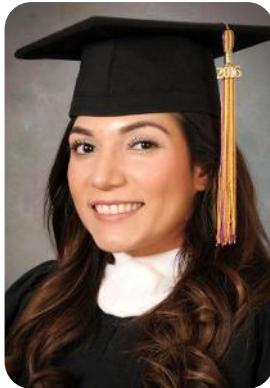
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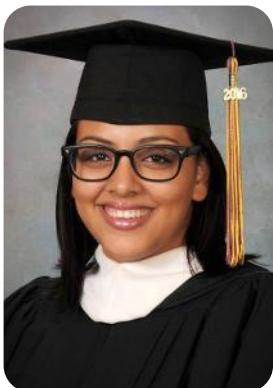
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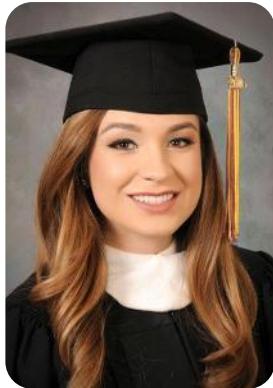
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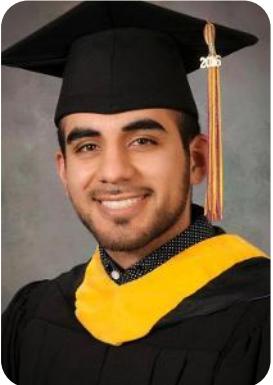
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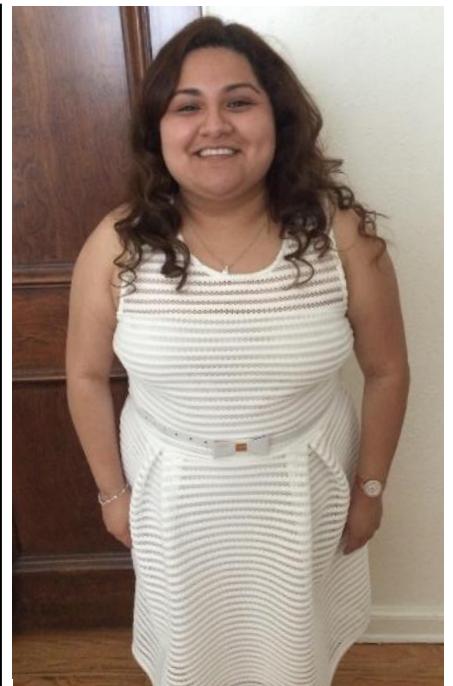
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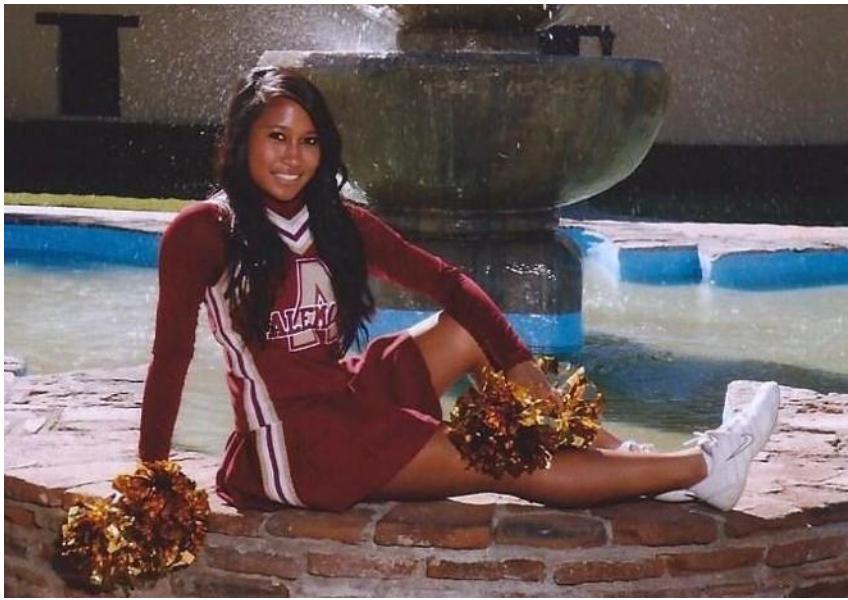




Ingrid Cruz

Ingrid,
Congratulations on your graduation!
We could not be more proud of you and all
of your accomplishments. A whole new
world full of possibilities is now open to you.
We wish you the best of luck in your nursing
career. Your journey has not ended here, it
has only begun. Off to the nursing world you
go, Ingrid Cruz BSN. We love you!
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Jessica and Edgar





Nicole Pastoral

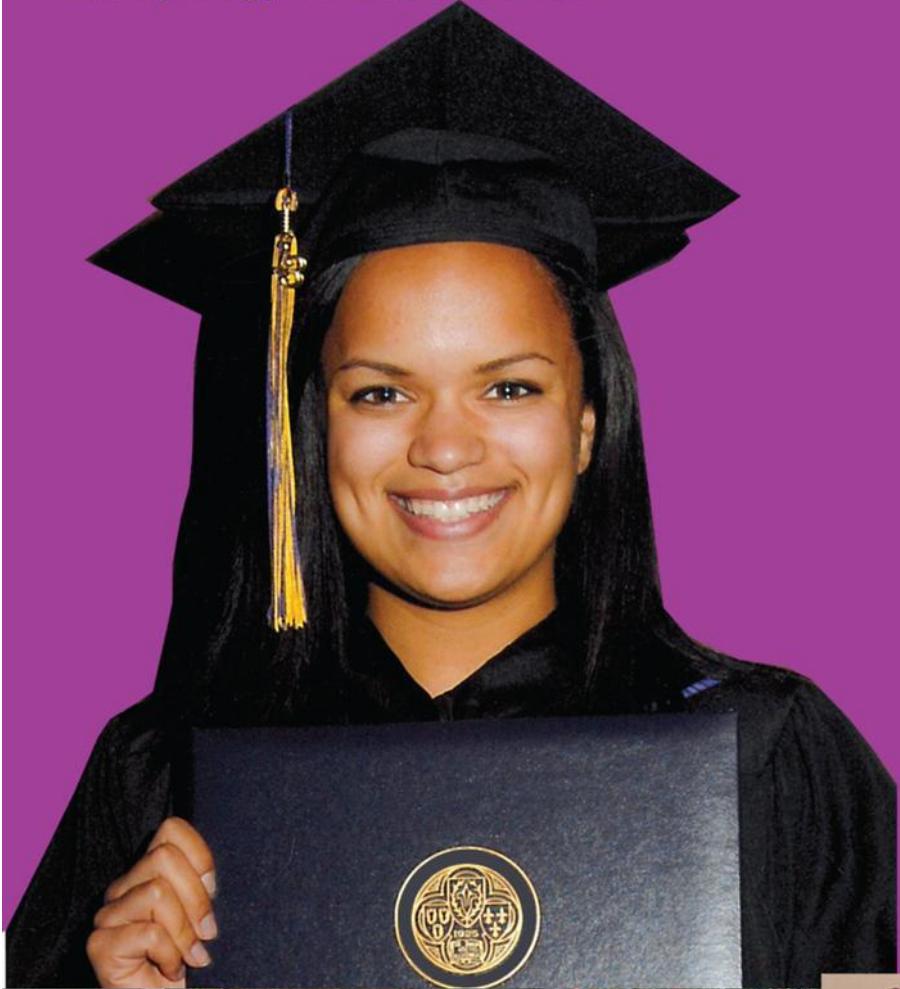
Congratulations Nicole!!
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOUR
ACCOMPLISHMENTS. WE LOVE YOU
AND PRAY FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUCCESS.

MOM, DAD CHRIS & DYLAN



NIKKI GALVIN

Yaaaaay, Nikki! You did it! Late nights, hard work, many tears, success and failures were all part of the ingredients that made this day possible. We are SO proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Daddy Chris, Daddy Dog, Audi and Chance





Paige Navarro

Paige,

Watching your journey through nursing school has been so exciting and at times very tough, but we are so proud that you have been so dedicated to your work and have accomplished all that you have. Through it all you have done such a wonderful job balancing school, work and your family. We love you and are so lucky that we could be alongside you- watching you grow through it all. We are so excited to see what this next chapter brings for you.

Loving and supporting you always,
Dad, Mom, Brother, Maggie & Camila



Vanessa Trice

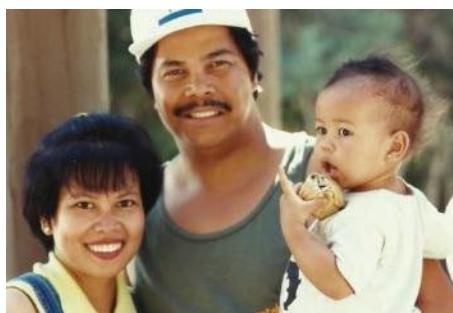
To our dearest daughter Vanessa,

You fill our hearts with love and pride.
We are very proud of your dedication
and accomplishments.

We wish you love, happiness, and
continued success in your future
endeavors.

Congratulation's on your graduation
day!

With love always,
Mom and Dad



Melani Victoria Manahan Facundo

Melani,

You are our pride and joy. Time flies so quickly and our little princess is now totally grown up and ready to face more challenges in life. Your bravery and independence is all worth it. Your dedication and hard work pays off. God bless and best wishes in your career ahead. We are proud parents and your brother, too.

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Aaron



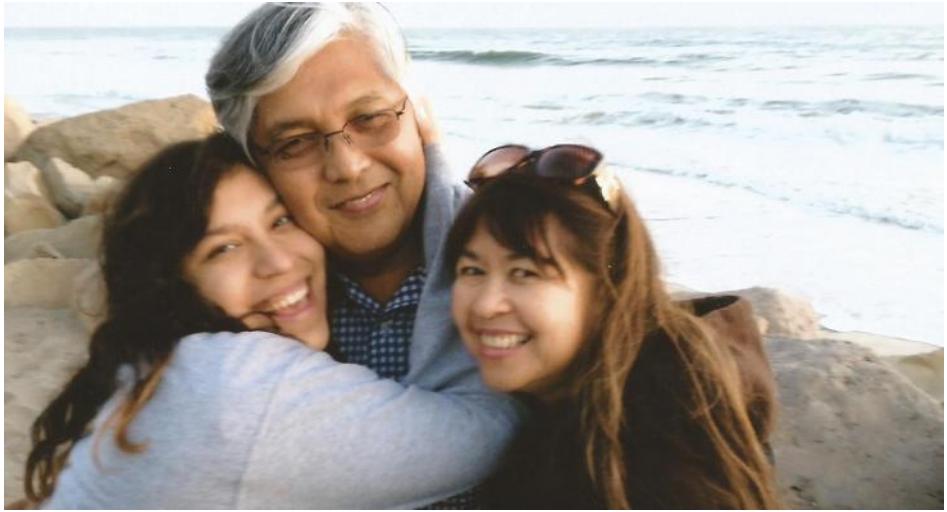
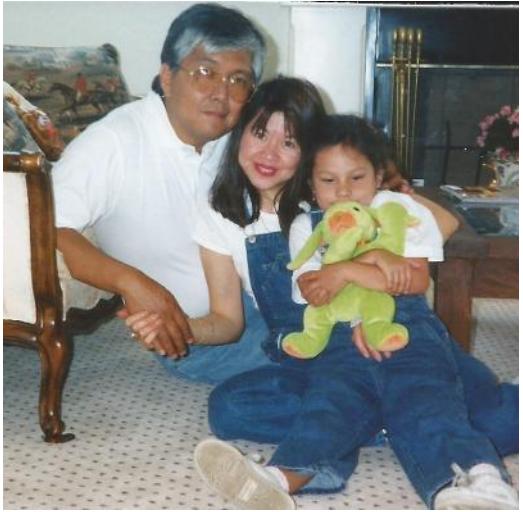
Crystal Burgess

Congratulations Crystal!!

We are all so very proud of you, all your hard work has paid off. It has been such an amazing journey watching you grow, mature and become an independent young woman. Continue to follow your dreams, your determination and commitment are admirable, you are a great role model for your sister. We know that you will accomplish your dreams and will always be here to support you. We love you so much!

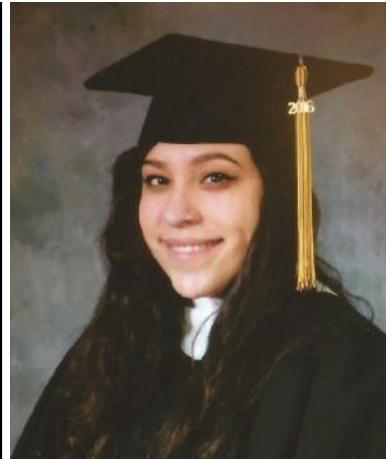
Love,
Mom, Sis and Family





Carina Ashley Gutierrez

Our dearest Carina,
you are our pride and joy! We always have been proud of you as your parents especially so on this memorable and special time- your college graduation. You have matured so beautifully and it is so amazing to watch you grow. Our precious daughter, you are capable of greatness! We will always be there for you. We love you so much. We are praying for your success and faith as you move forward in life! Congratulations with lots of love,
Mom and Dad





Maribeth DePerio

Beth,

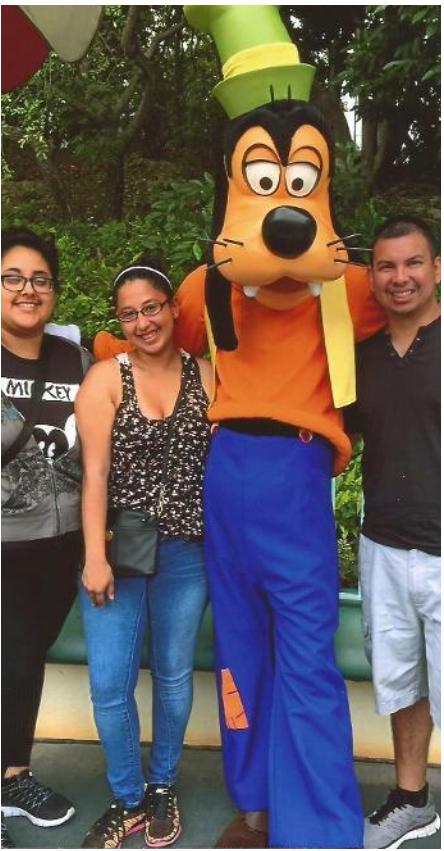
Congratulations on your graduation. We are very proud of your accomplishments. You have shown dedication and hard work as a student. From what you have shown, your goal obtaining your Medical Degree is within your reach. Keep up the good work. May God bless you and support and love. Welcome to the world of the medical profession.

Mom, Dad, Sisters Rosalie and Melanie

Congratulations and best wishes

T'yay Ed

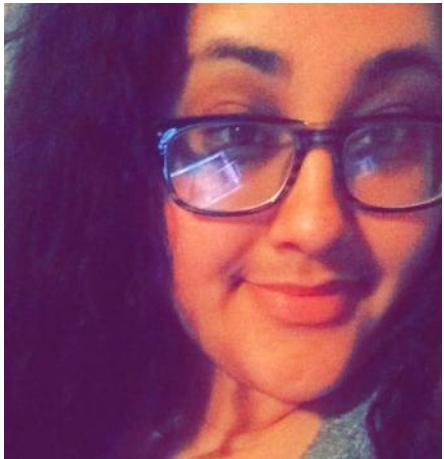




Iliana Melissa Sandoval

Ili,

We are beyond proud of you and your big accomplishments. Congratulations on this big step in life you have taken. We couldn't be any prouder of you and all your hard work. We have watched you grow into this beautiful well rounded human being and we couldn't of asked for anything more. We know that whatever path you decide to take from now on will be something great. You have not only made your dreams come true but our parents' as well and they couldn't be any happier.

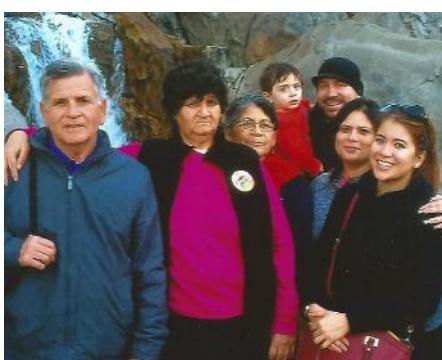


Cristina Martinez

Cristina,

Your hard work and dedication have paid. It has been a long journey that has had its ups and downs and nonetheless you persevered. This is the moment you have been waiting for working hard. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. Good luck in your future endeavors!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ceci and Family



Jeanine Monterroza

PARA NUESTRA PRINCESA

Dear Jeanine,

We are all so proud of you. Everything you've done, all your effort, and dedication will finally pay off after all these years. We are blessed to be apart of your life and thank God for giving us a daughter like you.

Tu eres el centro de nuestros vidas y todo lo que hacemos es por tu y tu hermano. Tu sabes la algeria que nos das la ver tu primer paso e esta vida y te deseamos que sigas con esas ganas de triunfar que siempre has tenido. Que Dios te bendiga y sabes que estamos junto a ti todos los dias de tu vida.

Felicidades gordis,
Tu dad, mom, and brother

Angelica Butiu

Dear Angelica,

You have worked so hard for this great achievement in your life. I am so proud and thankful to have you as my daughter. I hope you continue following your dreams and more success to come! Always have Jesus with you and you won't go wrong. Congratulations!!!

Love always,
Mom



Dear Angelica,

A long awaiting event to reap your harvest through patience and determination. I am proud of you, my niece! Thank Jesus in your life and secondly your Mom, always. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Love,
Auntie DiDi



2012 Leadership Scholar Retreat



2016 Leadership Scholar Retreat

Congratulations to our graduating Leadership Scholars!

Blanca Duenas

Yesenia Penate

Riki Esquer

Cecilia Pimentel

Maureen Hoffman

Aimee Reyes

Melissa Juan

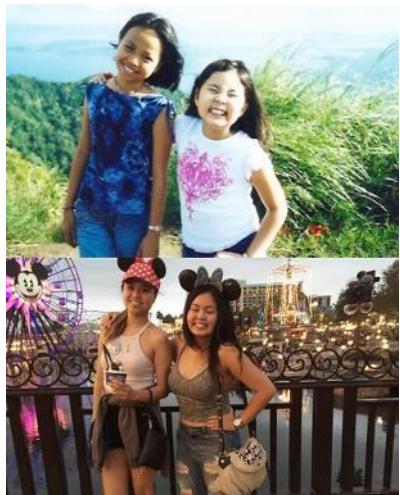
Mitzuky Orellana

Dahlia Maldonado

Hailey Williams

Anais Maseda





Ivy Adrienne Bautista

Our Dearest Ivy,

It has been amazing watching you transform to the lovely woman you are now. Your inner light and spirit are as strong as when you were just a child. We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments in school as well as life. Your kindness, courage, and intelligence will certainly lead you to success as a nurse. Mama, your angel, is with you as you complete this academic journey and begin a new one as a professional. All of us who love you are here to support and guide you in your future endeavors. We are so proud of you and love you. Congratulations!

Love,
Papa and Ate Arianne





Jacqueline P. Rivera

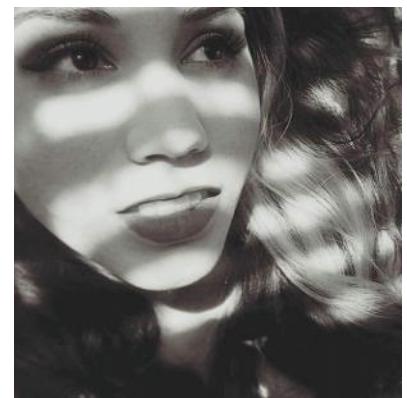
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Jacqueline,

You are BRAVER than you believe
STRONGER than you seem and SMARTER
than you think. Behind you, all your
memories. Before you, all your dreams.
Around you, all who love you. Within you,
all you need.
Jacqueline, I and your dad will always be
there for you.

With All Our Love,
Dad, Mom, Brigette, Kai, Rachel, Tammy,
& Ricardo

The Rivera's & The Hodges Family





Debbie Austria

Dear Debbie,

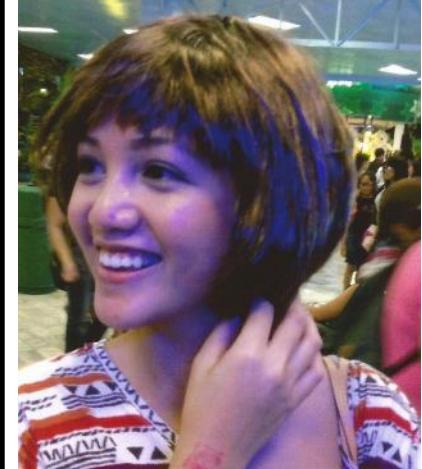
CHEERS and CONGRATULATIONS for surpassing another milestone in your life! Through the years, we have seen all your hardwork and we are VERY PROUD of your accomplishments and determination.

We join you, and cannot wait to see you SUCCESSFUL and HAPPY in your next journey to a bright future!

Always remember, our support for you as family is strong, incomparable and without boundaries!

WE LOVE YOU dearly to pluto and back!!!

Dad, Mom, Cara, Deydey and EJ





Victoria Ashley Awiten

Victoria,

Kindergarten, Elementary, High school and now graduating college. WoHooo, you did it! You've worked so hard to get to this point. All the times of late night studies and lack of sleep, finally your reward is here.

Words cannot describe how proud I am of you, you are the daughter that every mother dreams of having. I could not be more thankful of what you have become. Not only you reached your own dream, you reached mine as well, you have exceeded my hopes and dreams.

I'm so happy with the relationships that we have as a mother and daughter. Remember our hearty conversations? For 22 years, I have been telling you that I always thank God every day for having you in my life, that my world is not complete without you. What about when I constantly reminded you to "Dream Big, be smart in every decisions you make, and you choose the life you want to have." These are few of the reminders I share with you and deep inside you always make me laugh because you get tired of hearing it, and as usual your response was, "I know, Mom, you keep on saying that." I want to thank you for listening and making it happen. There's so many things I've watched you do that was just a surprise to me.

Monday May 9, 2016, will be one of the best days of our lives. I want you to know, that I will continue to be the mother who loves you with my whole heart and soul. Always remember, I am your greatest fan in life. Thank you for making me proud, thank you for all the love you have given me but most of all THANKS FOR MAKING ME A MOM.

Love,

Mom





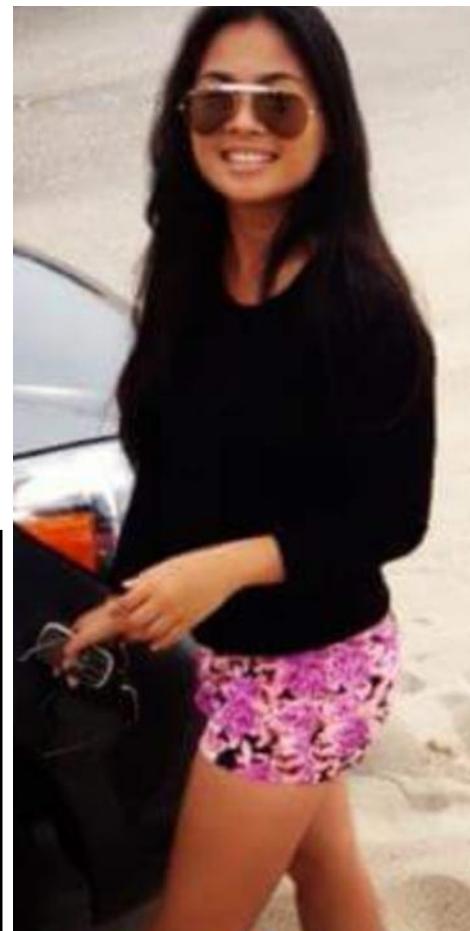
Maureen Hoffman

We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. You are intelligent, kind, sensitive and determined. Ever since you were a little girl, we knew that you were destined to have an impact on others and make a difference in the world. Let your compassionate and loving heart be your guide as you continue to overcome life's challenges and achieve your dreams. Always believe in yourself, maintain a strong sense of humor, embrace all of life's goodness, keep God as your center and know that you are truly loved.

Love,

Mom, Dad and Kathleen





Angeline Bautista

Angeline,

Today is the beginning of good things for you, new ventures, new accomplishments to celebrate with pride. But throughout your life, you're already a success because of all your qualities and who are inside. We are always with you wherever you may be in your adventure in life. Wish your happiness and success. Congratulations!

Dad, Mom, Lizzie, and Julia



"For God has given us he spirit of fear,
but of power, and of love and a sound
mind" 2Tim 1:17

Love You, PawPaw, Uncle Ed, April, Lil
Ed, & Elijah

We are so proud of you and thankful to
have you in our lives! you are such an
inspiration! We wish you lots of wealth and
Happiness! Love always and Forever!

Aunties Tyrethia, DeeDee & Fina

God is Good All the Time!!
Good Luck from the Growe
Family !

Aunties: Earnie, Pat, Hazel,
Marie, and Carolyn
Cousins: Dorcel & Meka

Oh the places you'll go ! You have
brains in your head and feet in your
shoes, you can steer yourself any
direction you choose !

Congratulations Sister !

Alexis, Kevin, & Amaya

Alaina Scott

"Success is a journey, not a destination"
I am so very proud of you and love you
muchly!

Mom

The future belongs to those who believe in the
beauty of their dreams!
Congratulations and Good Luck !

Grandmother, TeeTee, Jason, Hank, and
Matthew

I'm so lucky to watch you
overcome so many obstacles
and I am excited to be part of
your future success! Forever
Ever...

Brijae

Continue to Shine Niece
Congrats & we Love You!

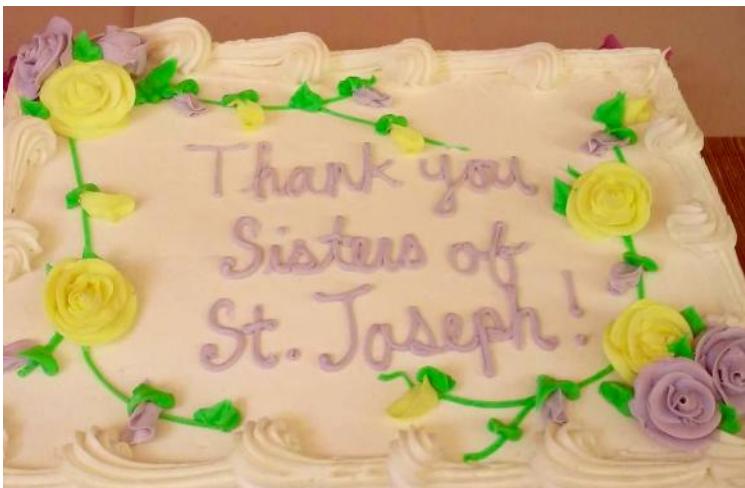
Aunties
Artis Linda
Laura Rochelle
Shawn Veronica

"For with God nothing shall be
impossible" Luke 1:37

The sky is the Limit!

Love you, The Scotts

Daddy, PapaDo, Felica, CJ, Faith, Uncle
Kenny, and Shawn



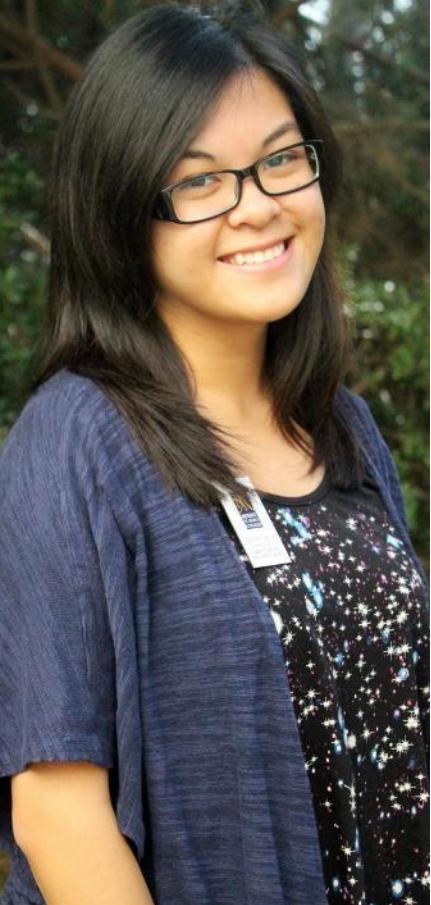
Sr. Carol Brong

The Mount's Doheny campus is feeling a bitter sweet feeling as Sister Carol leaves onto a new challenge at the Corandelet Center. She served as Assistant to the Dean for 7 years. While at the Doheny Campus Sr. Carol was involved in the lives of many students, providing advice, encouraging growth and empowerment. Sister Carol will be transferring to the Chalon campus to pursue a new career in Property Management assisting Ramon Zalamea. She says, " I am excited to go into this new position for the fall of 2016. I know nothing about properties but under the supervision of Ramon Zalamea I believe I will learn a lot." Before Assistant to the Dean she worked as Director of Learning Resource Center for eleven years.

During our conversation Sr. Carol Brong expressed a serene personality. On the weekends she loves to volunteer at a women's jail. Sr. Carol says they are grateful when she goes because they get to come out of the cells and hear that God loves them. Sr. Carol thank you for all you do and the continual inspiration you provide our MSMU ststuds.

By: Stephanie Castillo





Helouise Garcia

Helouise,

Congratulations! You did it! It has been a pleasure watching you become the wonderful individual you are. You are so smart, sweet, caring, and an overall well-rounded individual. You are going to go so far and I hope you never stop improving and challenging yourself in all of your endeavors in life. Continue to reach for all that you have dreamed for because you are wonderful, smart, and worthy.

Xoxo,
Yearbook Staff 2015-16



Mary Diaz

Mary,

Thank you for your many years of contribution to the Yearbook Staff and SPCS. You have been a wonderful worker, leader and student. We hope that your journey is filled with happiness and joy and that you get to experience the world to its fullest. Yaaasss Slaaaaayyyyy.

Much love,
Yearbook Staff 2015-16



2015-2016 Yearbook Staff



A Note from the Editor

Throughout my years in yearbook, I've come to know such amazing people that have inspired me to do both great things in my life and in this yearbook. I feel that we have grown together as a family, capturing all of the incredible moments that happen throughout the school year. With all of the laughs and tears that we have shared, I will keep those memories of us together forever.



I cannot thank this year's yearbook staff enough for all of their hard work and dedication in getting this book done. From our long meetings to going out on your free time to cover events, you are all spectacular. To my first year staff members, thank you so much for your openness to learn about the procedures that we have. I know I wasn't able to help mentor and work one-on-one with a lot of you but I can see your work flourish along these pages. To my returning staff members, a big shout out to you all for being patient with me throughout the school year. With your help to teach the new staff members we were all able to produce such a wonderful book that highlights the Mount's 90th year as an academic institution.

To my fellow 2016 graduates, we did it! Congratulations to all of those graduating this year, all of our hard work off paying off and I can't wait to see all of you walk across that stage. Best of luck to all of your future endeavors in life. Stay Golden!

I would also like to give special thanks and acknowledgment to our Fall staff who did not make it to our Spring yearbook staff, but did contribute their time and work in order to make this book happen. Thank you to Mya Dunn, Stephanie Tobar, and Kimberley Becerra.

Much love,
Mary Page Diaz, Class of 2016, Bachelors of Science in Sociology



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MSMU's Retrospective 2015-2016

Quake Expert, Lucy Jones, Speaks at Commencement

She's been called the Beyoncé of earthquakes, the Meryl Streep of government service and a woman breaking barriers in a man's world, according to a recent Los Angeles Times story. But to millions of Southern Californians, she's most often the first person they see on television following an earthquake. She is Dr. Lucy Jones. One of the world's most recognizable and influential seismologists, Jones was the keynote speaker at Mount Saint Mary's University's 2016 commencement ceremony, which was held Monday, May 9, at the Shrine Auditorium near the Mount's Doheny Campus.



Cokie Roberts at the Mount

Cokie Roberts, award-winning journalist, visited the Chalon campus on January 27, 2016. She touched on what it means to be an unstoppable woman and how important education is. After her speech, students from the Journalism and New Media, Political Science and History departments were lucky to enjoy a private lunch with Roberts and connect with her personally.



Alumni Spotlight: Dora Nuñez

Dora Nuñez, one of MSMU's unstoppable alum, is making it happen in City Hall, Los Angeles. She graduated in 2015 with a masters in Business Administration. She serves as the first director of community affairs and engagement for the Los Angeles City Controller's Office. Her goal is "to inform, support and motivate people to improve their lives and become successful through empowerment," she told MSMU. Congratulations, Dora on this accomplishment! #unstoppable



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An American Classic: Bricia Lopez '06

This summer, Bricia Lopez's restaurant, Guelaguetza, was named an American Classic by the prestigious James Beard Foundation. The restaurant is one of only five in the nation to receive that honor this year, bestowed upon dining establishments that have timeless appeal and are beloved by their hometown communities. This fall, Lopez herself was honored with a "Latinos de Hoy" award, presented by the Los Angeles Times and Hoy.



Students Represent MSMU at D.C.

Students visited Washington D.C. to represent MSMU influential women leaders who are actively influencing public policy. Under the University's Public Leadership Education Network, they were able to network, participate in panel events, and tour some of the most monumental locations in Washington D.C.



Environmental Justice: Educating the Next Generation of Leaders

Cultivating the country's next generation of environmental leaders was the focus of Mount Saint Mary's conference, "Critical Teaching in Action: Environmental Education and Social Justice," which took place Saturday, February 13, on the University's Doheny Campus in Los Angeles. Around 150 students, educators and community activists attended the event, which featured 16 interactive workshops that focused on the intersection of environmental education and social justice issues, such as clean water, food, energy and waste. Workshop presenters included well-known L.A. artist Kim Abeles, Mount Saint Mary's alums and professors, and a wide range of educators from schools and nonprofit organizations, from L.A. and as far away as Oregon and Illinois.

Looking Back at the Unstoppable



9/2/2015

Mount Saint Mary's University received some meaningful hometown honors from the City of Los Angeles. Led by councilmembers Mike Bonin and Gilbert Cedillo, the L.A. City Council issued an official City proclamation applauding the Mount's 90 years of leadership and service.



11/24/2015

Mount Saint Mary's University in Los Angeles added another 28 members to its community of Mount Alums - the Doctor of Physical Therapy's Class of 2015.



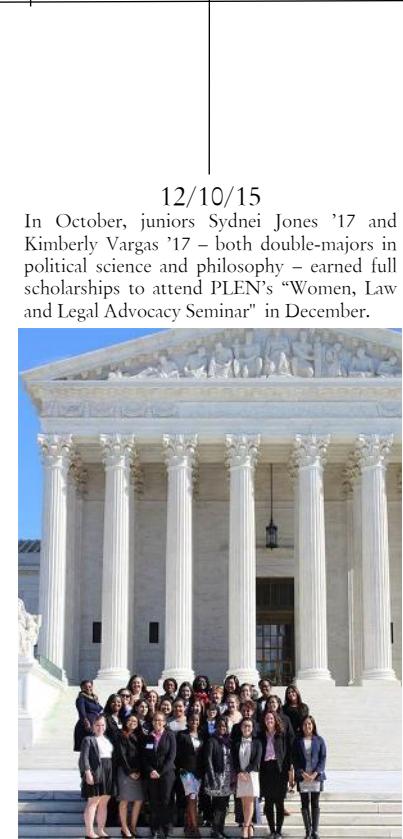
8/19/2015

The University's RN to BSN program is hitting the road; it is now also offered on the Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) campus in Walnut, California.



10/16/2015

The Mount celebrating 90 unstoppable years: Homecoming 2015



12/10/15

In October, juniors Sydney Jones '17 and Kimberly Vargas '17 – both double-majors in political science and philosophy – earned full scholarships to attend PLEN's "Women, Law and Legal Advocacy Seminar" in December.

Mount's 90th Year



1/22/2016

Momentum grows with MSMU Online: The program has a new director in Lisa Dawley and new programs in business administration and entrepreneurship.



3/18/2016

In the past year, the University has started club teams for soccer and volleyball; now, basketball has been added to the growing ranks of sport opportunities at the Mount.



5/10/2016

Mount Saint Mary's University has long been honored to stand with the Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking (CAST) in the fight to end modern-day slavery. On May 10, 2016 CAST recognized the contributions of Mount Saint Mary's students, alums, faculty and staff with a Founders Award, in tandem with the University's own founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

2/4/2016

The Mount is preserving — and advancing — its founders' visionary work through the newly established CSJ Institute at Mount Saint Mary's University. Launched as part of the Mount's 90th anniversary this school year.

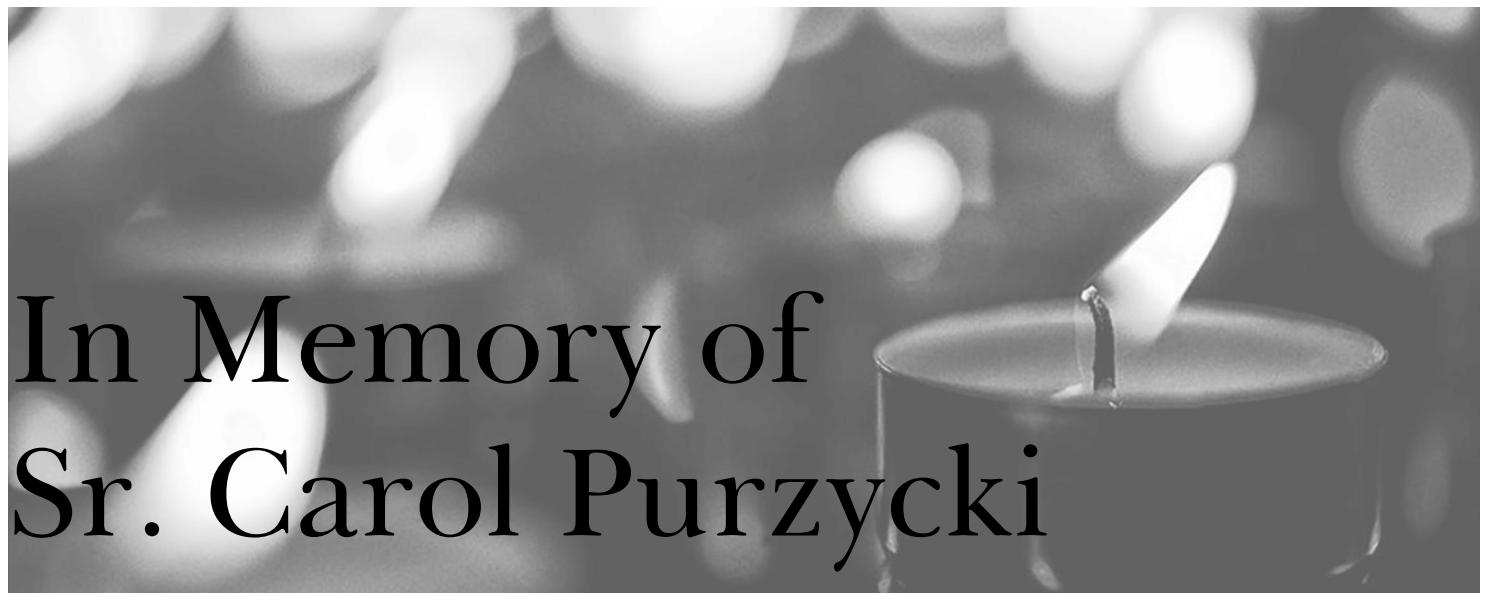


4/13/2016

Over the course of five days, the 12 students participating in the Alternative Spring Break program prepared, served and shared breakfast with 70 residents living at the PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) housing facility in Hollywood.



In Memory of Sr. Carol Purzycki



Sr. Carol Purzycki was an extraordinary person. She was born on February 18, 1946 in Flint, Michigan and passed away on January 30, 2016. In her early life at the age of 20 she joined Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet. During that time she graduated with a bachelors in Nursing which she served in Tucson and Idaho for six years. She left to practice at an internship for Pediatric care and ever since then she fell in love with children and young adults. Shortly after she began to work at Mount Saint Mary's University in Los Angeles as a professor for seven years. Her class was Pediatric nursing. The students that had her described her as a person with a generous heart, open ears and wise thoughts.

In her middle years she went back to school to receive a PhD in Pediatric Nursing at the University of Pittsburgh. Right after she returned to MSMU where she would live the rest of her days teaching and assuming leadership roles. During those years she worked as the Director of the Accelerated BSN nursing program for ten years and the last two years she was an adviser for pre-nursing students.

"There are three things she liked the most in world," said Mary Sloper, "the CSJ community, children & young adults, and Mount Saint Mary's University students. What was most noticeable from her was she was always happy, she enjoyed life, and was always delightful. But of course she was serious when she needed to be." Many students remember her having a generous heart, open ears and wise thoughts.

Sr. Carol Marie Purzycki, you will always be in our hearts.

